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LAW INTELLIGENCE.

The Divisional Court is sitting to-day.

Davie vs. Russell. This was an appeal by the defendant from an order of Mr. Justice Drake refusing to order further and better particulars of the plaintiff's claim. The appeal was allowed with costs. Mr. A. L. Belyea for the appellant and Mr. C. W. Ward for the respondent.

This afternoon the court is hearing the defendant's appeal in Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway company vs. Jemy et al. from an order of Mr. Justice Walkem refusing to strike out certain parts of the plaintiff's reply as embarrassing and immaterial. Mr. W. J. Taylor for the appellants and Mr. E. V. Bodwell contra.

County court is in session to-day, Mr. Justice Crease presiding. The first case tried was Devlin vs. Cuthbert & Co., the auctioneers. The plaintiff's claim was for $11.25 money had and received and unaccounted for by the defendants on a sale of goods. It was a question of arrangement between the parties and neither side agreed as to the facts. The claim was dismissed.

The body must be well nourished now, to prevent sickness. If your appetite is poor take Hood's Sarsaparilla

NO CABINET MINISTER!

Premier Bowell Says So—Col. Prior Says That He Will Take Nothing Less.

Eastern Conservative Newspapers Make Statements Corroborating the Premier.

Clarke Wallace Says Why He Resigned, and Defines His Political Position.

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—Sir Mackenzie Bowell has made the statement to newspaper correspondents here that Col Prior is not a cabinet minister. The Conservative papers have all made the announcement in the same manner. The statute defines the controllers as parliamentary heads of sub-departments under the supervision of the minister of trade and commerce.

Toronto, Dec. 19.—Mr. Clarke Wallace issues the following statement: "I am in favor of national schools and the National Policy. There is no candidate in Cardwell to-day on the same lines. One is a Liberal, and, of course, opposed to the National Policy; another is in favor of national schools and free trade, another is in favor of the National Policy and also of forcing separate schools upon Manitoba. I should have liked to have seen a candidate agreeing with my opinions. Such a candidate I would have supported. I offered myself, if one of the candidates would stand aside, to resign my seat in West York and run in the county on the lines I have indicated, thus making it a straight fight. But I could not accomplish that and the result is that I have not in the meantime a standing ground in the contest."

Winnipeg, Dec. 19.—Attorney-General Sifton has said that the local cabinet will meet on Friday or Saturday and a reply to the Dominion government on the schools matter forwarded at once. It would be to the effect that Manitoba could not consent to the re-establishment of separate schools.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 19.—The mail steamer from the northern coast arrived here this afternoon and reported frightful ravages by the recent gales. The schooner Victoria and her crew of twenty-two have been lost. Four other vessels are missing. Much damage has been done on the west coast.

SPORTING INTELLIGENCE.

Events of Interest in the Amateur and Professional Field.

CHESS.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 19.—The third series of games which completed the first round of the international chess tournament was played in the local club in this city yesterday afternoon, and finished in the early hours this morning when Laskar (black) beat Tschigorin, in an Ovans gambit after twenty-five moves, and Steinetz (white) beat Pillsbury in a Petroff defense after sixty moves. The score is: Lascar won two, lost one. Pillsbury won two, lost one. Steinetz won one, lost two. Tschigorin won one, lost two.

FOOTBALL.

A Rugby football match will be played on Saturday between England and the Colonies. England will play in white and colors and the Colonies in red. The following are the teams picked to play: England—Full back, H. Pettierew; three-quarter backs, J. M. Miller, Capt. J. F. Foulkes, K. Scholfield, H. D. Morton; half-backs, J. H. Sugrue, H. W. F. Pollock; forwards, E. A. C. Gibson, P. Wollaston, A. Goward, A. A. Green, H. Loveland, R. C. Trimen, L. B. Trimen, J. Earsman; reserves, W. A. Cornwell, F. J. Daniels. Colonies—Full back, H. A. Holmes; three-quarter backs, C. W. Ward, C. Gamble, J. Byrn, H. Hayter; half-backs, F. Smith, F. Ward; forwards, H. Austin, A. D. Crease, Capt. A. G. Langley, T. Parkey, L. Crease, J. K. Macrae; reserves, W. H. Langley, J. O'Rielly, W. T. Williams.

THE SANDON DISPUTE.

Relative Positions of the Two Rival Railway Companies.

It is reported that the tracks and buildings of the Nakusp & Slocan railway which were torn up and demolished by the Kaslo & Slocan were situated upon the right of way of the latter company. Justice Walkem granted an injunction yesterday restraining the Kaslo & Slocan from interfering with the tracks or buildings which do not encroach upon their right of way.

The K. & S. people state that this has been their contention from the beginning, and that they have never had any other object in view than the maintenance of their rights under their charter, and that the exception in Justice Walkem's order is simply where they have always drawn the line. Latest information from Sandon states that "there was no row and no danger of an outbreak."

Superintendent Hussey received a telegram this morning stating that Government Agent Fitzstubbs had gone to Sandon to ascertain the facts of the case.

DROWNED MAKING A LANDING.

Sad Ending of Three Men at Yonkers—Their Bodies Found.

Yonkers, N. Y., Dec. 19.—The mystery of the disappearance of Alexander Houstan, Louis Bechtold and Frederick Fisher, the three hat finishers, of this city, who went Sunday on a fishing trip to the Jersey shore under the Palisades, was solved last night. Their bodies were found at the bottom of the Hudson river at the foot of Park street, by employes of the Waring hat shop. An upturned boat, a broken oar and a hat were picked up a short distance from Ludlow by Policemen Walsh and Robinson. The hat was identified as that of Fisher. Joseph Wood, with a crew of men grappled for the bodies and at 11:30 they succeeded in bringing Bechtold's body to the surface and at noon the other two bodies were recovered. It is supposed that while attempting to make a landing the boat was capsized.

DAY'S SHIPPING NEWS

Cook of the British Bark Eaton Hall, Falls From the Side and is Drowned.

Return to San Francisco of the Collier Costa Rica—The Mail Boats.

Tacoma, Dec. 17.—John Wallace, cook on the British ship Eaton Hall, was drowned late last night in the Sound, the result of a fall from the ship's side. Wallace had been ashore, and was returning aboard ship, when he missed his footing and fell from the gang plank to the water beneath. He must have struck his head on a pile, for he never rose after disappearing beneath the water. This morning his body was found on the rocks under the wharf. There were some bruises about the head and other evidences that the man had been stunned by the fall. Deceased was 60 years old, and had been with the Eaton Hall six months. He was a native of England.

A large number of Victorians intend spending the holidays in the sunny South, and consequently the Walla Walla sailing this evening has a large list of passengers. Among them are the following: Miss M. Williams, Miss A. Williams, Miss Walker, W. Pollard, wife and child, Miss F. E. Arrowsmith, Mrs. McCandless and two children, Miss F. H. Thain, Miss A. A. Allen, Thos. Mackie, A. W. Clark, B. Williams, R. E. Andrews and wife, A. Smith and wife, S. Appleby, wife and child, Miss E. White, Miss C. White, Miss M. Burns, O. J. Kron and wife, Geo. L. Brown, J. C. Pope.

There are only two sealing schooners in Seattle, the Morrill and the Anderson, all the rest having been sold or entered some combination by which they can float other than the American flag. So many American sealing schooners were seized last season that it is held to be folly to go seal hunting under the Stars and Stripes. The Morrill and Anderson go into Japanese waters. Their owners wish to retain their American rights, with a view to fishing if their seal hunting fails to prove paying.

The steamer Costa Rica, which left Victoria last week to search for the disabled steamer Strathnevis, has put in at San Francisco, without sighting or hearing from the Strathnevis. The Costa Rica had a cargo of coal and did not intend to search long for the overdue vessel. Some fear the recent heavy gales off the coast may have blown the Strathnevis ashore. Capt. Gatter, of the Northern Pacific steamship line, believes she is tacking about off Vancouver Island.

Seattle, Dec. 19.—Steamer San Juan went ashore near Richarson, Lopez island, during the storm of Saturday night, and is said to be a complete wreck. During the high winds she had to to anchor, and had all four anchors out, but they dragged and the boat was driven ashore, and in a short time dashed to splinters. The San Juan was sold to her present owner only a few weeks ago for $1,100.

Officers of the British ship Buckingham, now at Tacoma, have brought news of the death at sea of Capt. Irving, of the British wheat ship Latham. Capt. Irving left Tacoma last May with a big cargo of grain for Great Britain. He suffered from a complication of diseases, and died before reaching port. He was well known here and on the Sound.

If the wreck of the San Pedro is left on Brotchie Ledge much longer there will be very little of the old hull to remove. It is fast falling to pieces, and a couple more blows will finish it.

The yacht Volage has been hauled out on Watson's ways.

Steamer Maude returned from Comox last night with a load of coal for the C. P. N. company. She leaves for the West Coast to-morrow night.

The Umatilla arrived from San Francisco last evening with a number of passengers for Victoria.

The sealing schooner Louis Olsen was sold at auction at Astoria last week.

—The cost of a solid silver stem-wind Waltham watch, guaranteed five years, is $7 at S. A. Stoddart's, 68 Yates street.

POLITICAL BLUSTER.

War Between Britain and America as Impossible as it Would be Horrible.

The Phlegmatic British Public Don't Know What Jingoes Are Bowling Over.

Germans Look Upon Mr. Cleveland's Message as an American Practical Joke.

London, Dec. 19.—The Daily Telegraph publishes an editorial which reproaches the British and European journals for "taking too seriously the White House bluster, which is a mere political dodge." "The New York World," the article continues, "takes the common sense view of President Cleveland's fustian menace and it is pitiable to see the nervous people on the stock exchange lencing themselves to the financial side of this electioneering coup. War betwen Great Britain and America is as impossible as it would be horrible."

The financial articles in the Times refer to the depression of the stock exchange and say of it: "The comparative slightness of the decline indicates that those best able to form an opinion discredit the idea of war. Nevertheless the situation is regarded as being serious. If the alarm increases there will probably be a decided curtailment of the credits now granted to American houses by London firms."

The Daily News, the Liberal organ, has two editorials, the first of which deals with the compliance of Congress with President Cleveland's demand by passing Mr. Hitt's bills appropriating $100,000 for the purposes of a commission. "It was hardly to be expected that they would do otherwise. The message was artfully designed to influence the feelings of his fellow countrymen. The plan was well laid, and President Cleveland has achieved his immediate object."

The Press Association says this evening: "Neither the foreign office nor the colonial office officials have anything to say about President Cleveland's message to Congress, which, however, does not appear to be regarded, officially, with alarm. We are assured that in well-informed quarters there is a shrewd suspicion regarding the real object of the message and this is regarded as sufficient justification for declining to take President Cleveland too seriously."

A dispatch to the Press Association from Liverpool says that one of the largest wheat merchants there said: "President Cleveland's message has had no effect on trade. The matter is treated as an absurdity. In the event of war, America would be the greater sufferer in the grain trade."

The Glasgow merchants do not expect a rise in the price of wheat as the result of President Cleveland's message to Congress on the Venezuelan question.

Berlin, Dec. 19.—A representative of the Associated Press has had an interview on the subject of President Cleveland's message to congress on the Venezuelan question with a high government official. He said: "Europe has never acquiesced in the Monroe doctrine. President Cleveland's threatened interference in a quarrel between nations is not seriously interpreted here, but the threats will show Britain the danger of isolation."

Count von Kanitz, the agrarian trader and author of the famous grain monopoly scheme, remarked: "The United States seems to be spoiling for a fight. She might get her hands full." Herr Richter, the people's party leader said: "I suppose it is an election trick; but it is doubtful if Britain will back down." Herr von Puttkamer expressed the opinion that the whole thing looks like an American practical joke. Herr von Koeller, who recently resigned the portfolio of Prussian minister of the interior, says that Germany does not see any reason for taking sides in this quarrel. "It is time to bring about a international definition of the oft-quoted Monroe doctrine, and the present occasion may accomplish it."

Ottawa, Dec. 19.—"Trouble seems to be coming," says the Evening Journal, and Canada should be thinking of her own safety. Common sense calls for preparations at once to make the best we can of our resources for defense. The government should decide at once on measures to increase the militia."

Cable News.

Shanghai, Dec. 19.—The American commission to investigate the massacre has arrived at Cheng Tu and was received by the highest officials with great honor. Their mission will probably be successful.

Paris, Dec. 19.—The budget committee has approved the convention entered into by the government with the France Cable Company, with a view of establishing a new cable from Brest to New York, and from there to Para, Brazil.

Madrid, Dec. 19.—The Heraldo repeats the statement that Captain-General Martinez de Campos will resign the governor-generalship of Cuba.

—You have heard of Waltham, Elgin, Hampden and other makers of watches. You all have your opinion as to which are best. I have them all from $5, at S. A. Stoddart's, 68 Yates street.

WINDY WAR WORDS

Supposedly Sane Men Discussing All the Points of War With Britain.

Talk of Defending the Coast Line, Not Thinking of the Immense Frontier.

San Francisco, Dec. 19.—Of all the American coast cities San Francisco is probably the best prepared to resist a naval demonstration. How successful the defence would be is of course a matter of conjecture, though the opinion prevails in army circles that it would require a great many more vessels than England now has in her Pacific squadron to make even an impression. New York is probably better defended as far as the number of her guns and other armament employed is concerned, but her geographical situation is not nearly so favorable. During the past two or three years some pretence of putting Boston and Portland in proper condition to repel an attack has been made, but so little has been accomplished that they would perforce fall easy victims to a fleet of any size. As for the southern cities they are practically defenseless. New Orleans, Charleston, Pensacola and Savannah would be taken without much resistance, though the last two named cities could be placed in splendid condition in six months' time. Col. George H. Mendell, recently retired from the government service and to whom must be given much of the credit for San Francisco's defences from an engineering standpoint, treats lightly of the prospect of war with England. He does not believe that that country would undertake to fight this country at present, but if such a thing should happen he believes that San Francisco is well able to withstand any attack that a British fleet might make, even supposing the entire British squadron to be concentrated at this particular point.

"I am not prepared to believe," he said last night, "that England would do so foolish a thing as to engage in war with America at the present time. Supposing, however, that such a thing did take place, I think I may safely say that San Francisco is not in the least danger True, our defences are not by any means complete, but on the other hand it must be remembered that this port is a long way from England's nearest naval station, and it would consequently be hazardous on her part to concentrate any great number of vessels here on a mere venture. I do not care to express a definite opinion as to the length of time required to complete the system of harbor defences as contemplated by the war department, though I believe it could be done in six months. In fact, with men and money, the harbor could be placed, in 60 days' time, in such condition as to defy any force that might be brought against us. As for the defense at Lime point and the completion of the battery of disappearing 10-inch guns at Fort Point, that is a matter of rapid transit, combined with quick work on the part of the engineers. Under pressure the thing might be done in 30 days. I think that the dynamite guns recently erected will do all that is expected and required of them. The Fifth Artillery of Col. Graham's regiment is fully trained and perfectly understands the working of the heavy guns. As I remarked before, there is but little fear of war with England. Should the unexpected, however, happen, San Francisco is the last place to expect trouble England's first and probably only point of attack would be the Puget Sound cities—Tacoma, Seattle, Port Townsend, Everett, Whatcom, Port Angeles, and Fairhaven—which are utterly defenseless. It follows as a matter of course that they would be the first to receive attention and the warning received from such a demonstration would give the government ample time to do all for San Francisco, that would be required.

Seattle, Dec. 19.—W. P. C. Adams, the Populist candidate for congress at the late state election, is firmly convinced that England should be allowed to do with Venezuela as she chooses. As for that matter he thinks that the Britishers should not be molested in colonizing and seizing any of the South American or Spanish-American States. He thinks that in so doing England would be casting a civilzed influence over these semi-barbaric communities. His philosophy is quite original and on the surface bears the appearance of truth. He says:

"Did not England people Australia with her own race and was not that island continent greatly benefited thereby? Has not England peopled other countries with great and beneficial results? The people of her colonies have more freedom and are safer than the citizens of this country and their holdings are more secure. It would add greatly to this country's prestige if England were allowed to colonize Venezuela, the Central American States and even Mexico, as at present the United States gets nothing from the countries on this continent south of us. In all of these petty states there is a feeling of antipathy to all Americans, except negroes. A colored American will get along all right, but a white American stands hit. I have been in these South American States and have experienced the prejudice existing everywhere. These people will not trade with this country when they can help it. If you go into the stores you will find on the shelves goods of German and French manufacture, but very little of anything that comes from this country.

"But, notwithstanding all this, as soon as there is any trouble, then these same little states look to this country for protection and are full of whines about the Monroe doctrine. The Monroe doctrine should have no place in such a controversy as the country is confronted with at present. My views may not be very popular, but I believe they are sound and I am honest in my opinion, and I am a patriotic American, too."

—Singers, public speakers, actors, auctioneers, teachers, preachers, and all who are liable to overtax and irritate the vocal organs, find, in Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, a safe, certain, and speedy relief. A timely dose of this preparation has prevented many a throat trouble.

THE ATLANTIC SQUADRON.

Movement of Uncle Sam's Coast Defenders—A Cruise Postponed.

Washington, D.C., Dec. 19.—Although the north Atlantic squadron was scheduled to sail from Hampton Roads next Saturday on a cruise of evolution in the waters of the Gulf of Mexico and the Carribean sea, it is doubtful at present whether the programme will be followed out to the letter. Certainly the squadron will not sail until further orders are received from Secretary Herbert, who is at present in New York and may be absent until the end of th week. Admiral Hunce, commanding the squadron, is now in Hampton Roads with his flagship, the New York, waiting for the vessels of his squadron to assemble.

As the north Atlantic squadron corresponds to the British channel squadron in being charged with the defense of the United States' most important line, it may be that the authorities will take the view that prudence would seem to necessitate the abandonment of the proposed evolution cruise, which would take the ships away from home.

Commander Deevy and the rest of the naval inspection board to-day called upon Acting-Secretary McAdoo and reported that the big armoured cruiser Maine had been thoroughly examined by the board and found to be in condition for instant service. He pronounced her to be one of the finest ships afloat. Acting-Secretary McAdoo therefore attached the ship at once to the north Atlantic squadron, and it was ordered to proceed to Hampton Roads and report to Admiral Bunce.

SPANIARDS CROWDED BACK.

Maceo and Gomez Seeking a Pitched Battle.

Havana, Dec. 19.—An important engagement is reported at Maltimpo, province of Santa Clara, between a force of 500 troops under Col. Arizon and the main force of the insurgents, under Gomez, to the number of 6000 men. The combat is reported to have been a fierce one and long continued. The loss of the troops was two officers and thirty soldiers killed, and four officers and forty soldiers wounded.

New York, Dec. 19.—Delegate Thomas Estrada Palma, minister plenipotentiary to this country of the Cuban revolutionary assembly, left for Washington City last night. To-day Senor Palma will probably open the Cuban legation in Washinton City, for which a house has been rented. He will confer with congressmen and senators before presenting his credentials to President Cleveland. Secretary Gonzalo Quesada, of the Cuban revolutionary party, will be secretary of the legation.

The insurgents, in spite of reports of their defeat, have crossed the military line between the city of Santa Clara and Cienfuegos, the headquarters of General Campos, and the advance guards are now in sight of Las Lajas, well to the westward of Santa Clara, showing that the Spaniards have been utterly unable to check their progress since they crossed the frontier of Santa Clara from Puerto Principe at Iguira. Everything shows the insurgents to be moving toward Matanzas, and Campos is on the way there to take command of the Spanish forces, which will meet those of Gomez and Maceo in a pitched battle.

Late this evening it was stated that the insurgent forces under Gomez and Maceo are in a critical situation during the course of their advance upon the province of Matanzas, and that they are requesting the other insurgent leaders to send them assistance. The insurgent army is now on the borders of the provinces of Matanzas and Santa Clara.

It numbers about 6000 men and is accompanied by about 100 mules with ammunition and dynamite. The insurgents also have two mountain guns with them. The report that Gomez had his horse shot under him at the battle of Maltiempo is confirmed. The insurgents admit having lost 376 men in that engagement. General Laque, between Podas and San Marios, has defeated the insurgents under Cabrecco with heavy loss. The combined columns of troops commanded by General Canellas and Col. Bachnero, amounting to about 550 men in each command, and consisting of the battalions Simancas and Lichna, in addition to a detachment of guerillas and civil guards and some artillery have fought and routed successfully at Palmerito, Ramon, Taguas and Tortin, the insurgent forces commanded by Jose Maceo, Bonir and Beriquito Perez, amounting to 3000 well armed men, thoroughly supplied with ammunition. The fighting is said to have lasted seven hours, and the Spanish troops are reported to have captured the insurgent positions which were believed to be impregnable. The Spanish artillery did good work during the battle, and, although the insurgents made a strong resistance, intending to penetrate into Guantanamo, they were defeated in their object and entirely routed, leaving on the field 46 dead and retiring with 200 more of their killed and wounded. On the side of the troops Captain Juan Garcia, Lieutenants Bernalles and Fernando Acevedo, Dr. Potous and Veterinary Surgeon Castille were wounded and seventeen soldiers were killed and fifty-three were wounded.

One Honest Man.

Dear Editor:—Please inform your readers, that if written to confidentially I will mail in a sealed letter, particulars of a genuine, honest home cure, by which I was permanently restored to health and manly vigor, after years of suffering from nervous debility, sexual weakness, night losses and weak shrunken parts. I was robbed and swindled by the quacks until I nearly lost faith in mankind, but thank heaven, I am now well, vigorous and strong, and wish to make this certain means of cure known to all sufferers. I have nothing to sell, and want no money, but being a firm believer in the universal brotherhood of man, I am desirous of helping the unfortunate to regain their health and happiness. Perfect secrecy assured. Address with stamp:—Mr. Edward Lambert. P. O. Box 55, Jarvis, Ont.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

BOGGS FOUND GUILTY.

Tacoma's Ex-City Treasurer Liable to Ten Years in the Penitentiary.

Tacoma, Dec. 19.—A verdict of guilty was brought in by the jury yesterday morning against George W. Boggs, ex-city treasurer, charged with fraudulent use of public funds for personal gain. The maximum penalty is ten years in the penitentiary. Sentence has not yet been imposed.

DEBS OUT OF BROTHERHOOD.

Has Voluntarily Withdrawn from the Locomotive Engineers' Organization.

Terre Haute, Dec. 19.—Eugene V. Debs has voluntarily withdrawn as a member of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, of which order he was grand secretary for thirteen years and which he built up. He went before the local lodge and made a speech, in which he stated that as his path lay in a different direction from that pursued by the firemen he felt it his duty to retire. Two years ago, when he first organized the American Railway Union, an attempt was made to expel him, but he went before the lodge and carried everything before him by storm. A like movement was to have been inaugurated at the national convention at Harrisburg in 1894, but he went there and his enemies welcomed him as their friend. However much the members of the Brotherhood may disagree with him as to his new order nearly all are his personal friends.

HAS GONE OUT OF BUSINESS.

Driggs, the Most Noted Counterfeiter of His Time, is Dead.

Dayton, O., Dec. 19.—Nelson Driggs, the most noted counterfeiter of his time, is dead. He was at one time said to be worth nearly a million dollars, made by exchanging bad money for good. He spent many years in the penitentiary, his longest term being for fifty years in the Joliet prison. For the past five or six years he has lived a retired life here, attending to his property and managing a road house. The last escapade in which Driggs and his young wife Gertie figured was when Chief United States Detective Bell, Detective Donnell and others came here in 1888 to capture Jim Guyon, the noted counterfeiter, who had $25,000 planted at the Driggs mansion. The plans of the detectives were well laid, but Guyon was in the woods at the back of the house when the attack was made. Detective Donnell pursued Guyon, who was flying for his life. All of a sudden Guyon jumped behind a tree and when Donnell came up Guyon fired a bullet into his face. Donnell fell and Guyon thinking he was dead, fled. Donnell was stunned and rising, obtained a farmer's horse and pluckily pursued Guyon, who escaped, and is now in Mexico. Chief Bell wrote a novel founded on this celebrated case. The detective unearthed $25,000 in counterfeit bills which was buried on the Driggs premises. A large volume of sensation could be written about the family. Driggs was 80 years of age.

A NOTORIOUS CUTTHROAT.

A Noteworthy Mongolian Criminal in Police Custody at Newark, N. J.

New York, Dec. 19.—The police of Newark have in custody Lem Tung Sing alias Charlie Tung Sing, who the New York police say is one of the most notorious cutthroats ever known in Chinatown or the slums of San Francisco. Acting Captain Young of the sixth precinct, New York, has information from Lem Tung Sing's own countrymen living in Mott street that the prisoner is responsible for four or five murders that have been instigated by the highbinders societies in the United States. Captain Young's men would arrest Sing if he should appear in their jurisdiction for he is wanted on charges of assault and battery and gambling. Charlie Tung Sing is a remarkable man in many ways. When he first appeared in Chinatown, early in the present year, the countrymen of the clique opposed to the Hip Sing Tong, or highbinders' society at No. 21 Chatham Square, promptly became terror-stricken and some of them asked the protection of the police. Charlie Sing is the name that he is best known by. About the first week of his residence in New York city he obtained a great deal of notoriety by making an application for an appointment as a special detective in Chinatown. He said that gambling was going on constantly at nearly a score of places in Mott, Pell and Doyer streets, and that the regular police were not able to suppress it. To support his claim of the special detective job Charlie Sing produced letters from Chief Engineer Melville of the United States navy and from the judge advocate general, which purported to show that he was on the steamship Jeannette and later on the Thetis in the Arctic region. He had two medals, one presented by Congress to survivors of the Jeannette expedition and one presented by the navy department.

Quan Yick Namm became the object of attack on the part of the highbinders and a price of $1000 was alleged to be the reward for his death. Quan Yick Namm had been in San Francisco when Charlie Sing was there and he gave Captain Young the whole story of Charlie's career of crime. Quan Yick Namm says that Charlie Sing killed a man and got his papers and has since that time passed himself as the original owner of the papers. Captain Young says the Quan Yick Namm is truthful and honest in every way and that Lem Tung Sing will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law.

CLOSE OF THE RATE WAR.

Southern Pacific Gives Notice of Restoration of Fares.

San Francisco, Dec. 19.—The rate war to Portland between the Southern Pacific and the Oregon Railway & Navigation Company, which has been in progress about a month, is ended. The Southern Pacific officials have decided to advance rates from this city to Portland on Christmas day, and from Portland to San Francisco on the 24th ult. The first-class rate of $10 will be raised to $15, and the second-class rate of $5 to $7.50.

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MESSAGE ON THE MARKETS.

President Cleveland's Firebrand Remarks Depress the Stocks.

London, Dec. 18.—The stock markets were dull to-day, closing near the lowest. Consols have fallen ⅝, but with no heavy sale, merely a marking down by jobbers. President Cleveland's message has created profound concern and surprise. The city, however, refuses at present to recognize any complications sufficient to warrant apprehensions of war. I have interviewed most of the representative financial houses here, including those connected more particularly with American securities, and all express astonishment at the tone of the message and consider that it bids fair to drive the death nail into the American railway market here, to accelerate gold exports from New York and precipitate a currency if not a financial crisis in America. Americans relied on New York support but finally closed at about the lowest point.

The Paris markets to-day were flat, led by a farther fall in Spanish securities. The more one learns of the financial position in Paris, the more one is struck with the weakness there, especially in Italian and Spanish securities Financial disturbances or politics adversely affect those stocks, and they are enormously held in France. The Berlin markets were weak and featureless.

New York, Dec. 18.—The re-echoes of the presidential message to Congress were the dominating influences upon the stock market to-day. London prices for Americans showed declines extending to 1½ per cent. in Louisville ½ Nashville, and the international shares were sold steadily, but with slight rallies throughout the day. This class of securities displayed the greatest weakness of any on the list. Dealings in international shares were unusually active. Some comment was excited over a decline of nearly one per cent. in British consols and a coinciding fractional advance in United States new and old 4 per cent. bonds. In the general market lower prices were recorded in the early trading, the declines being, in some instances, fully as great as in the international shares. About the end of the first half hour substantial recoveries were made in most cases, but a reactionary tendency soon developed. Throughout the day, at intervals, rallies occurred, but were always met by renewed selling for both accounts, except in the last hour, when, arround delivery hour, on covering of shorts mainly, rallies from the extreme low points, ranging up to 2 per cent., were made. The unsettling effect of the war talk on prices was heightened by depressing discussion of our financial problems and by expectations of further heavy shipments of gold, partially on account of the foreign selling of our securities.

SHIP OWNERS CAUTIONED.

Against Contracting to Carry Munitions of War to Venezuela.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 19.—C. Osborne Grant, secretary pro tem of the organization known as the Loyal Union of British Guiana, has to-day issued a notice cautioning all ship owners in Boston against contracting to convey munitions of war to Venezuela, with the intimation that any ship proceeding, if discovered, will be prosecuted to the full extent of the international law. Mr. Grant, in discussing the situation with a representative of the Associated Press, said: "We are not worried the least over the report that the United States intends to apply the Monroe doctrine to the Venezuelan dispute. The reason I would assign for speaking like this is that the dispute is really between South American countries. I am absolutely sure that the United States authorities will not run such risk as to invite war with Britain for an insignificant piece of territory. Let the two South American countries fight it out themselves. Guiana is quite able to cope with Venezuela in case of war."

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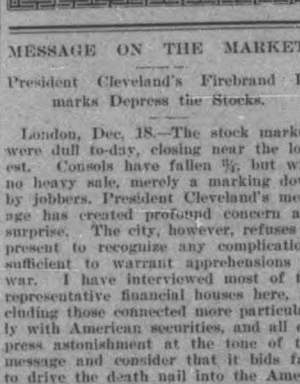

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By order.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C.M.C.

Victoria, B.C., March 20th, 1895.

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By order.

WELLINGTON J. DOWLER, C. M. C.

Victoria, B.C., August 1st, 1895.

Notice.

Belleville Street, between McClure Street and Birdcage Walk is closed to Public traffic.

E. A. WILMOT, City Engineer.

ARCHITECTS.

JNO. TEAGUE, ARCHITECT.
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SOCIETIES.

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HOLLY! HOLLY! HOLLY! for Christmas decorations at McTavish's, 0 Park Road. dec14-2wks.

FOR SALE—Thoroughbred Jerseys, 1 cow and calf, $85; 1 cow $70; 2 heifers $55 and $35. T. S. Dobbin, Lake Hill Farm, or H. M. Naval Yard, Esquimalt. nov20-tf

WANTS.

WANTED—A second hand sewing machine. Must be in good order. Address, stating lowest price and make, D. G., Times office. dec17

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TO RENT.—Cottage No. 42, Cadboro Bay road. Possession given Jan. 8. Pleasant location; garden, fruit trees; situated on car line. For particulars apply 47 Fort street. dec17-tf

MISCELLANEOUS.

REMEMBER THE ORPHANS—The Juvenile Opera Co. will perform the beautiful operetta "The Four Leaved Clover" in Victoria Theatre, Thursday Evening, Dec. 19, and Saturday afternoon. The proceeds to be given as a Christmas present to the Protestant Orphans' Home. Admission 50c.; children 25c. Reserved seats at Jamieson's, 25c. extra. dec16-4t

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BRIEF LOCALS.

Gleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

—China tea sets at Cheapside.

—Okell & Morris' jams and jellies are absolutely pure.

—Mr. S. Perry Mills held a court of revision at Royal Oak yesterday.

—The pupils of Angela College will give a matinee recital to-morrow afternoon at four o'clock.

—On Friday night the charity ball to provide for the city's poor will be held in the A. O. U. W. hall.

—The ladies of the True Blue lodge held a successful dance in the A. O. U. W. hall last evening. Richardson's orchestra furnished the music.

—Mr. Maxwell Muir gave the first less to his class in mechanical drawing at the Y. M. C. A. last evening. All intending pupils should join as early as possible as the instruction is specially adapted for those intending to be machinists or builders and none of the lessons should be missed.

—Rev. Ross G. Murison, M. A., B. D., who made for himself a host of friends while missionary at Cedar Hill, Fernwood and Spring Ridge, and who is now professor of Oriental languages at Toronto University, will, on New Year's day, be married to Miss Maggie A. Ferguson, at Glammis, Ont. A number of Mr. Murison's Victoria friends have received invitations to be present at the wedding.

—Mr. Richard Jones, collector of inland revenue in this city, and Miss Helena Mouatt, were married yesterday evening in the Reformed Episcopal church, Humboldt street, Bishop Cridge officiating. The bridge was given away by Dr. J. D. Helmcken. The bridesmaids were Miss Dorothy McTavish, the Misses Helmcken and Miss Margery Rome, and Miss McNaughton Jones was maid of honor. The groom was supported by Mr. E. A. Jacob. After the marriage cermony the wedding party gathered at the home of the bride's mother, Belleville street, where a reception was held. The happy couple will spend their honeymoon in California.

—Owing to the bad weather there was a small attendance at the concert given in the Victoria theatre in aid of the B. C. B. G. A. fund. The band played well, as it always does, while the solos and duets by local talent were greatly appreciated. The following was the programme:

Overture—"Cavalleria Rusticana". Mascagni
The Regimental Band
2. Solo
3. Solo for Cornet—"Culver Polka." Steinhauser
Bandsman North.
4. Song
Mr. J. G. Brown.
5. Physical Drill
B. C. B. G. A. Gunners.
6. Solo
C. W. Rhodes.
(Interval of five minutes.
7. Intermezzo—"Forget Me Not" Macbeth
Regimental Band.
8. Solo
W. Ralph Higgins.
9. Duet
Mrs. Archer Martin and Miss Laura Loewen.
10. Bayonet Exercise
B. C. G. B. A. Gunners.
11. Clarionet Solo—"2nd Air Varie" Mohr
Bandsman Rauch.
12. Waltz—"Jolly Fellows" Valker
Regimental Band.
"God Save the Queen"..Band and Audience

The Juvenile Opera Company will present the pleasing operetta, "The Four-Leaved Clover" at the Victoria theatre this evening. The affairs is under the direction of Mrs. E. Lang with Ernest Wolff, L. C. M., as musical director. Mrs. Lang and Mrs. Wolff have introduced many new songs and have also rewritten the first act. The entertainment is for the benefit of the Protestant Orphans' Home. The cast is as follows:

Fedalma, Queen of Gypsies, Ethel St. Claire
Madge ..... May King
Nida, her brother ..... Emma Casad
Baby Hinda ..... Little May Wolff
Lady Hinda (known as Juanita) ..... Miss Lilly Lyons
Lady Inez ..... Annie Carter
Countess Isabella ..... Laura St. Claire
Mother Fedalma ..... Flossy Jackson
Susanna, companion to Lady Inez ..... May King
Gluck Auf, (German spirits of good luck) ..... Celia Tugwell, Emma Casad
Don Sebastian, commander of the castle ..... Miss Ada Sims
Lorenzo, a guard ..... Olive Lambert
Sir Ronald Graeme, an English guest ..... Miss Vic. Penketh
Don Carlos, a Spanish guest ..... Master Percy Thomas
Donald, servant ..... Will Cregie
Pedro Sam, servant ..... Tom Fornival
Mazetto, leader of the Gypsies ..... Master Sol. Silvertz
Chorus of Spanish Lords and Ladies, Gypsies, etc.

—When most needed it is not unusual for your family physician to be away from home. Such was the experience of Mr. J. Y. Schenck, editor of the Caddo, Ind. Terr., Banner, when his little girl, two years of age, was threatened with a severe attack of croup. He says: "My wife insisted that I go for the doctor, but as our family physician was out of town, I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's cough remedy, which relieved her immediately. I will not be without it in the future. 75 cent bottles for sale by all druggists. Langley & Co., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

—An appropriate Xmas present, carving sets and table cutlery (Sheffield make) at Fox's, 78 Government street.

—A toilet requisite and a toilet ornament—O-d-o-r-o-m-a.

—Coal hods at Cheapside.

BORNEO BUTCHERY

Manila Deserters Were Murdered in Cold Blood by Spanish Soldiers.

Another Steamship Company to Run a Line of Steamers Across the Pacific.

Ten Million Yen Expended in the Subjugation of the Island of Formosa.

Per Empress of India.

The China Mail, referring to the butchery of 18 deserters in British North Borneo by Spanish soldiers said the Borneo authorities had no hand in the massacre. They merely showed their interest to assist the Spanish authorities in the arrest of the deserters, who had previously murdered their officers on one of the Sulu islands. Besides the eighten deserters butchered in cold blood after they had given up their weapons, seven were taken to Sulu and executed.

A new army has been organized in Lan Chow by the Chinese authorities to quell the rebellion. The authorities of the Tsungli-Yamen have decided to refuse the demands preferred by the foreign representatives for concessions to build railways, and it is believed that the Chinese government will undertake the work itself, being in favor of the government both building and owning the railways.

Invalid soldiers continue to arrive at Hiroshima daily from Formosa. It is reported that there are still 2,900 sick men in Formosa, but few such in Manchuria.

The Russians propose to survey the boundaries of Korea, and are watching for an oportunity to demand the assent of the Korean government. It is understood that the matter must be approved by a conference of the powers before it can be granted.

At the annual meeting of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, the directors proposed the immediate extension of the company's line of steamships to connect the Japanese Empire with America, Europe and Australasia, the opening of the line to America being regarded as of first importance. The proposition was received with enthusiasm and unanimously endorsed by the meeting, at which upwards of 1700 shares were represented. This is the company which proposes to make Victoria the first and last port of call.

Nearly ten million yen have been expended on the subjugation of Formosa, this being three times more than the estimated cost of the conquest. This is attributed to the fact that the resistance made by the rebels was much stronger than anticipated.

Nearly 900 coolies sailed on the China for Honolulu.

Forty-three coolies carrying stores for the Fifth regiment Takao and Taiuan, were attacked and murdered by disbanded Chinese soldiers on Nov. 11th.

On Nov. 25th only four deaths from cholera were reported in Tokio, one fresh case and one death in Kanagawa Prefecture, and one case and one death in Chiba Prefecture. This brings the total from the outbreak of the epidemic to 56,492 cases and 39,880 deaths.

PUPILS DISMISSED.

Spring Ridge and Boys' Central Schools Close To-Day for the Holidays.

At the closing exercises for Victoria West school, held in Semple's hall yesterday afternoon, Mr. L. Tait was presented by the teaching staff with a pair of gold sleeve buttons and also received a very pretty bracket from the pupils. Short addresses were delivered by Inspector Burns and by Trustees Mrs. G. Grant, Glover and Marchant, Revs. W. D. Barber, C. Ensor Sharp, D. MacRae and Hicks. The pupils sang patriotic songs, while Robert Fisher, a very small boy, played excellent selections on the violin. A number of young ladies gave a very pretty exhibition of club swinging. Mr. Semple received a vote of thanks for the gratuitous use of the hall.

BOYS' CENTRAL SCHOOL.

First division, S. B. Netherby, principal.—To High School by special examination—George Sayward Brown.

Second division, Thos. Nicholson, teacher.—Preston Coates, James Brady, Hugo Seelig, Douglas Scolefield, Julian Robertson, Albert Ward, Benjamin Pettingell, Nigel O'Brien, Herbert Hobbis, Joshua Marks, George Noble, Charles Gaerdes, Richard Lowe.

Third division, Mr. J. F. Sallaway, teacher.—Frederic Peters, John Coates, James Wilson, Albert Shanks, John Renfree, Charles Coates, John Holdcroft, Arthur Belyea, Nello Smith, Percy Keefer, William Elford, Samuel Crocker, Sydney Saunders, Stephen Callum, Robert Browne, Robert McLachlan, Millen Sutherland, William Harrison.

Fourth division, E. E. Sylvester, teacher.—William Stebbings, Dale Ewart, Christopher Behnsen, Samuel Johnson, James Goodman, Lewis Fuller, Sydney Winsby, Samuel Shanks, Arthur Whittaker, William Barnswell, Thomas Winsby, Edward Rendell, Ralph Wales, Ernest Robinson, Herman Gaerdes, Edward J Townsley, John Higgins, William Patterson, Arthur Dods, Charles McKilligan.

Fifth division, G. H. Fawcett, teacher.—Allan Wilson, Frank Walker, Sterling Smith, Joseph McTeigh, William Turner, Frederick Garlande, George Sallaway, Stanley Bridges, Leopold Freeman, Cuthbert Keefer, William Maynard, Harold Brown, Benjamin Levy, Alfred Lepan.

Sixth division, C. C. Christie, teacher.—Harvey Sexsmith, Lloyd Dickinson, James Caldwell, Noel Bridges, Walter Walker, Napier Gowan, Percy Sheritt, Cleaver Wilson, Ernest Maynard, Robert O'Brien, Edgar Parberry, Alex. McKenzie, Charles Kinlock, James Bolden.

Seventh division, E. Jesse, teacher.—Bertram Spain, Harry Jones, Milton Seeig, Allen Loat, Victor Rolfe, Joe Rausch, Chester Paulson, Michael Coulin, Willie Bryce, Edgar Phillips, Roy McKittrick, Frank Carson, Willie McDougall, Melvin Knapp.

Eighth division, W. N. Winsby, teacher.—Patrick Kelly, Lawrence Macrae, Stanley Hobbis, Daryl Kent, Balmer Wollscroft, Frederick Waterson, Archibald King, Gus Carne, Allan Bennett, Joseph Kelly, John Wilson, Ernest Saunders, Frank Lounds, George Phillips, William Munro, George Hartnell.

SPRING RIDGE SCHOOL.

The pupils of Spring Ridge and Boys' Central schools were dismissed for their holidays to-day. The closing exercises were held in Spring Ridge this morning, and at he Boys' Central in the afternoon. At both schools Inspector Burns and members of the board of trustees gave short addresses congratulating teachers and pupils on their successful work during the term. The promotion and prize lists follow:

Promoted to Central Cchool, E. F. Doran, teacher.—Elizabeth Whittaker, Bernice Scowcroft, Louisa Bragg, Florence Corder, Christien Christianson, Maud Lyall, Merton McKenzie, Maud Copeland, Mary McKinnon, Harold Rendell, Stephen Tanner, Guthrie Gordon, Andrew Neelands.

Prize list.—Silver Medal, head of school, (presented by Mr. J. N. Muir), Elizabeth Whittaker; written arithmetic (presented by Mrs. M. Grant), Florence Corder; diligence, (presented by Miss L. A. Barron), Lena Breidfjord; geography, Harold Rendell; spelling, Louisa Bragg; proficiency, Elizabeth Whittaker.

Promoted from second to first division, Miss Isabel F. Barron, teacher.—Nellie Priestly, Florence Hicks, Margaret Jones, Florence Field, Richard Lory, Muriel Morry, George Little, Fred Chubb, Annie Banfield, Thomas Jones, Mildred Goodman, Otto Andermach.

Prize list.—Nellie Priestly, proficiency; Annie Banfield, department and diligence; Margaret Jones, writing.

Promoted from third to second division, Mrs. Taylor, teacher.—Alexander Gordon, Maggie Jameson, Mary Moore, Jane Brydon, Maggie Hodgson, Annie Faulkner, Stephen Redgrave, Alfred McGregor, Solomon Phillips, Elsie Morry, Willard Dwyer, Theodore Gaerdes, Gertrude Bate, Lily Smith, Martha Faulkner.

Prize list.—1st general proficiency, Alex. Gordon, presented by Mrs. Dwyer; 2nd, Maggie Jameson; 3rd, Mary Moore, presented by Mr. W. R. McIntosh; 4th, Jane Brydon, presented by Mr. W. Chapman; 5th, Maggie Hodgson, presented by Mr. J. Whitfield; 6th, Annie Faulkner.

Promoted from fourth division to third division, Miss Elsie M. Arthur, teacher.—Henry Brown, Nellie, Wescott, Annie Dempsey, Phoebe Mckenzie, Frederine Renouf, Rumie Christianson, Lydia Lory.

Prize list.—Henry Brown, general proficiency; Nellie Westcott, 2nd general proficiency and department; Phoebe McKenzie, regularity and punctuality; Henry McGregor, department.

PLUMPER PASS JUSTICE.

To the Editor: As the attention of the public has lately been drawn to the disgraceful state of affairs existing at Plumper Pass, I consider it only fair in the interests of justice to place matters in a clearer light than they have hitherto been shown.

For some time past it has been known that the Mayne Island saloon has been opened on Sunday for the accommodation of customers, but no action was taken until a few weeks ago, when an old man, W. Millington, nearly 70 years of age, purchased a bottle of gin there and supplied the same to an individual living on the Indian reserve in the immediate vicinity. This old man was sentenced to one month's imprisonment for the offence, a light enough sentence for the particular breach of law which he had committed. At the same time as this committal, the saloon keeper was told by the justices that he was carrying on an illegal traffic in spirituous liquors, and was warned as to his future behavior.

This admonition being totally disregarded, other warnings were given with the same effect. Finally on Sunday, Dec 1st, following on a drunk, a disgraceful disturbance took place, which opened the eyes of the local provincial constable, who instituted proceedings. The case was heard on December 12th before Justices Gray and Grubb. The defendant pleaded guilty, and the magistrates after a consultation once again thought the case would be met by a severe reprimand and dismissal. Now, sir, may I ask is this justice in the face of the evidence? Why was Millington sentenced to serve one month's imprisonment, and the saloon keeper, who equally breaks the laws of the province, in open defiance of the commands of the local justices and law officers, allowed to go scott free. May I ask again, is it because Millington is not the keeper of the little store and hotel on Mayne Island?

Moreover, if my informant is correct, the aforesaid saloon keeper is an ex-justice of the peace, having held that position nearly ten years. Who is there in these outlying districts that has better knowledge of the laws and in a better position for finding out the laws than the J. P.'s? Justice should be meted out with equal impartiality to all grades of society. "Oh justice, justice, we cry aloud for thee."

STEPHEN H. HOSKINS.
Galiano, Dec. 16.

—A genuine ghost story has yet to be attested; but not so a genuine blood-purifier. Over and over again it has been proved that Ayer's Sarsparilla stands alone among medicines as the most reliable tonic alterative in pharmacy. It stood alone at the World's Fair.

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—Okell & Morris' jams and jellies are absolutely pure.

—Mr. S. Perry Mills held a court of revision at Royal Oak yesterday.

—The pupils of Angela College will give a matinee recital to-morrow afternoon at four o'clock.

—On Friday night the charity ball to provide for the city's poor will be held in the A. O. U. W. hall.

—The ladies of the True Blue lodge held a successful dance in the A. O. U. W. hall last evening. Richardson's orchestra furnished the music.

—Mr. Maxwell Muir gave the first less to his class in mechanical drawing at the Y. M. C. A. last evening. All intending pupils should join as early as possible as the instruction is specially adapted for those intending to be machinists or builders and none of the lessons should be missed.

—Rev. Ross G. Murison, M. A., B. D., who made for himself a host of friends while missionary at Cedar Hill, Fernwood and Spring Ridge, and who is now professor of Oriental languages at Toronto University, will, on New Year's day, be married to Miss Maggie A. Ferguson, at Glammis, Ont. A number of Mr. Murison's Victoria friends have received invitations to be present at the wedding.

—Mr. Richard Jones, collector of inland revenue in this city, and Miss Helena Monatt, were married yesterday evening in the Reformed Episcopal church, Humboldt street, Bishop Cridge officiating. The bridge was given away by Dr. J. D. Helmcken. The bridesmaids were Miss Dorothy McTavish, the Misses Helmcken and Miss Margery Rome, and Miss McNaughton Jones was maid of honor. The groom was supported by Mr. E. A. Jacob. After the marriage cermony the wedding party gathered at the home of the bride's mother, Belleville street, where a reception was held. The happy couple will spend their honeymoon in California.

—Owing to the bad weather there was a small attendance at the concert given in the Victoria theatre in aid of the B. C. B. G. A. fund. The band played well, as it always does, while the solos and duets by local talent were greatly appreciated. The following was the programme:

Overture—"Cavalleria Rusticana" .Muscagni
The Regimental Band
2. Solo .....
3. Solo for Cornet—"Culver Polka." .....
....Steinhauser
Bandsman North.
4. Song .....
Mr. J. G. Brown.
5. Physical Drill .....
B. C. B. G. A. Gunners.
6. Solo .....
C. W. Rhodes.
(Interval of five minutes.
7. Intermezzo—"Forget Me Not" Macbeth
Regimental Band.
8. Solo .....
W. Ralph Higgins.
9. Duet .....
Mrs. Archer Martin and Miss Laura Loewen.
10. Bayonet Exercise .....
B. C. G. B. A. Gunners.
11. Clarionet Solo—"2nd Air Varie" .Mohr
Bandsman Rauch.
12. Waltz—"Jolly Fellows" .....Valker
Regimental Band.
"God Save the Queen"..Band and Audience

The Juvenile Opera Company will present the pleasing operetta, "The Four-Leaved Clover" at the Victoria theatre this evening. The affairs is under the direction of Mrs. E. Lang with Ernest Wolff, L. C. M., as musical director. Mrs. Lang and Mrs. Wolff have introduced many new songs and have also rewritten the first act. The entertainment is for the benefit of the Protestant Orphans' Home. The cast is as follows:

Fedalma, Queen of Gypsies, Ethel St. Claire
Madge .....May King
Nida, her brother .....Emma Casad
Baby Hinda .....Little May Wolff
Lady Hinda (known as Juanita) .....
..... Miss Lilly Lyons
Lady Ines .....Annie Carter
Countess Isabella .....Laura St. Claire
Mother Fedalma .....Flossy Jackson
Susanna, companion to Lady Inez .....
.....May King
Gluck Auf, (German spirits of good luck)
.....Celia Tugwell, Emma
.....Celia Tugwell, Emma Casad
Don Sebastian, commander of the castle
.....Miss Ada Sims
Lorenzo, a guard .....Olive Lambert
Sir Ronald Graeme, an English guest ..
.....Miss Vic. Penketh
Don Carlos, a Spanish guest .....
.....Master Percy Thomas
Donald, servant .....Will Cregie
Pedro Sam, servant .....Tom Furnival
Mazetto, leader of the Gypsies, ...
.....Master Sol Silvertz
Chorus of Spanish Lords and Ladies, Gypsies, etc.

—When most needed it is not unusual for your family physician to be away from home. Such was the experience of Mr. J. Y. Schenck, editor of the Caddo, Ind. Terr., Banner, when his little girl, two years of age, was threatened with a severe attack of croup. He says: "My wife insisted that I go for the doctor, but as our family physician was out of town, I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's cough remedy, which relieved her immediately. I will not be without it in the future. 75 cent bottles for sale by all druggists. Langley & Co., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver.

—An appropriate Xmas present, carving sets and table cutlery (Sheffield make) at Fox's, 78 Government street.

—A toilet requisite and a toilet ornament—O-d-o-r-o-m-a.

—Coal hods at Cheapside.

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Manila Deserters Were Murdered in Cold Blood by Spanish Soldiers.

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Per Empress of India.

The China Mail, referring to the butchery of 18 deserters in British North Borneo by Spanish soldiers said the Borneo authorities had no hand in the massacre. They merely showed their interest to assist the Spanish authorities in the arrest of the deserters, who had previously murdered their officers on one of the Sulu islands. Besides the eighten deserters butchered in cold blood after they had given up their weapons, seven were taken to Sulu and executed.

A new army has been organized in Lan Chow by the Chinese authorities to quell the rebellion. The authorities of the Tsungli-Yamen have decided to refuse the demands preferred by the foreign representatives for concessions to build railways, and it is believed that the Chinese government will undertake the work itself, being in favor of the government both building and owning the railways.

Invalid soldiers continue to arrive at Hiroshima daily from Formosa. It is reported that there are still 2,900 sick men in Formosa, but few such in Manchuria.

The Russians propose to survey the boundaries of Korea, and are watching for an opportunity to demand the assent of the Korean government. It is understood that the matter must be approved by a conference of the powers before it can be granted.

At the annual meeting of the Nippon Yusen Kaisha, the directors proposed the immediate extension of the company's line of steamships to connect the Japanese Empire with America, Europe and Australasia, the opening of the line to America being regarded as of first importance. The proposition was received with enthusiasm and unanimously endorsed by the meeting, at which upwards of 1700 shares were represented. This is the company which proposes to make Victoria the first and last port of call.

Nearly ten million yen have been expended on the subjugation of Formosa, this being three times more than the estimated cost of the conquest. This is attributed to the fact that the resistance made by the rebels was much stronger than anticipated.

Nearly 900 coolies sailed on the China for Honolulu.

Forty-three coolies carrying stores for the Fifth regiment Takao and Taipan, were attacked and murdered by disbanded Chinese soldiers on Nov. 11th.

On Nov. 25th only four deaths from cholera were reported in Tokio, one fresh case and one death in Kanagawa Prefecture, and one case and one death in Chiba Prefecture. This brings the total from the outbreak of the epidemic to 56,492 cases and 39,880 deaths.

PUPILS DISMISSED.

Spring Ridge and Boys' Central Schools Close To-Day for the Holidays.

At the closing exercises for Victoria West school, held in Semple's hall yesterday afternoon, Mr. L. Tait was presented by the teaching staff with a pair of gold sleeve buttons and also received a very pretty bracket from the pupils. Short addresses were delivered by Inspector Burns and by Trustees Mrs. G. Grant, Glover and Marchant, Revs. W. D. Barber, C. Ensor Sharp, D. MacRae and Hicks. The pupils sang patriotic songs, while Robert Fisher, a very small boy, played excellent selections on the violin. A number of young ladies gave a very pretty exhibition of club swinging. Mr. Semple received a vote of thanks for the gratuitous use of the hall.

BOYS' CENTRAL SCHOOL.

First division, S. B. Netherby, principal.—To High School by special examination—George Sayward Brown.

Second division, Thos. Nicholson, teacher.—Preston Coates, James Brady, Hugo Seelig, Douglas Scolefield, Julian Robertson, Albert Ward, Benjamin Pettingell, Nigel O'Brien, Herbert Hobbis, Joshua Marks, George Noble, Charles Gaerdes, Richard Lowe.

Third division, Mr. J. F. Sallaway, teacher.—Frederic Peters, John Coates, James Wilson, Albert Shanks, John Renfree, Charles Coates, John Holdcroft, Arthur Belyea, Nello Smith, Percy Keefer, William Elford, Samuel Crocker, Sydney Saunders, Stephen Callum, Robert Browne, Robert McLachlan, Millen Sutherland, William Harrison.

Fourth division, E. E. Sylvester, teacher.—William Stebbings, Dale Ewart, Christopher Behnsen, Samuel Johnson, James Goodman, Lewis Fuller, Sydney Winsby, Samuel Shanks, Arthur Whittaker, William Barnswell, Thomas Winsby, Edward Kendell, Ralph Wales, Ernest Robinson, Herman Gaerdes, Edward J Townsley, John Higgins, William Patterson, Arthur Dods, Charles McKilligan.

Fifth division, G. H. Fawcett, teacher.—Allan Wilson, Frank Waller, Sterling Smith, Joseph McTeigh, William Turner, Frederick Garlande, George Sallaway, Stanley Bridges, Leopold Freeman, Cuthbert Keefer, William Maynard, Harold Brown, Benjamin Levy, Alfred Lemm.

Sixth division, C. C. Christie, teacher.—Harvey Sexsmith, Lloyd Dickinson, James Caldwell, Noel Bridges, Walter Walker, Napier Gowan, Percy Sheritt, Cleaver Wilson, Ernest Maynard, Robert O'Brien, Edgar Parberry, Alex. McKenzie, Charles Kinlock, James Bolden.

Seventh division, E. Jesse, teacher.—Bertram Spain, Harry Jones, Millon Seelig, Allen Lott, Victor Rolfe, Joe Rausch, Chester Paulson, Michael Conlin, Willie Bryce, Edgar Phillips, Roy McKittrick, Frank Carson, Willie McDougall, Melvin Knapp.

Eighth division, W. N. Winsby, teacher.—Patrick Kelly, Lawrence Macrae, Stanley Hobbis, Darvi Kent, Balmer Williscroft, Frederick Waterson, Archibald King, Gus Carne, Allan Bennett, Joseph Kelly, Colin Wilson, Ernest Saunders, Frank Lounds, George Phillips, William Munro, George Hartnell.

SPRING RIDGE SCHOOL.

The pupils of Spring Ridge and Boys' Central schools were dismissed for their holidays to-day. The closing exercises were held in Spring Ridge this morning, and at he Boys' Central in the afternoon. At both schools Inspector Burns and members of the board of trustees gave short addresses congratulating teachers and pupils on their successful work during the term. The promotion and prize lists follow:

Promoted to Central School, E. F. Doran, teacher.—Elizabeth Whittaker, Bernice Scowcroft, Louisa Bragg, Florence Corder, Christien Christinson, Maud Lyall, Merton McKenzie, Maud Copeland, Mary McKinnon, Harold Rendell, Stephen Tanner, Guthrie Gordon, Andrew Neelands.

Prize list.—Silver Medal, head of school, (presented by Mr. J. N. Muir), Elizabeth Whittaker; written arithmetic (presented by Mrs. M. Grant), Florence Corder; diligence, (presented by Miss L. A. Barron), Lena Breidfjord; geography, Harold Rendell; spelling, Louisa Bragg; proficiency, Elizabeth Whittaker.

Promoted from second to first division, Miss Isabel F. Barron, teacher.—Nellie Priestly, Florence Hicks, Margaret Jones, Florence Field, Richard Lory, Muriel Morry, George Little, Fred Chubb, Annie Banfield, Thomas Jones, Mildred Goodman, Otto Andermach.

Prize list.—Nellie Priestly, proficiency; Annie Banfield, deportment and diligence; Margaret Jones, writing.

Promoted from third to second division, Mrs. Taylor, teacher.—Alexander Gordon, Maggie Jameson, Mary Moore, Jane Brydon, Maggie Hodgson, Annie Faulkner, Stephen Redgrave, Alfred McGregor, Solomon Phillips, Elsie Morry, Willard Dwyer, Theodore Gaerdes, Gertrude Bate, Lily Smith, Martha Faulkner.

Prize list.—1st general proficiency, Alex. Gordon, presented by Mrs. Dwyer; 2nd, Maggie Jameson; 3rd, Mary Moore, presented by Mr. W. R. McIntosh; 4th, Jane Brydon, presented by Mr. W. Chapman; 5th, Maggie Hodgson, presented by Mr. J. Whitfield; 6th, Annie Faulkner.

Promoted from fourth division to third division, Miss Elsie M. Arthur, teacher.—Henry Brown, Nellie, Wescott, Annie Dempsey, Phoebe McKenzie, Fredeline Renouf, Runnie Christianson, Lydia Lory.

Prize list.—Henry Brown, general proficiency; Nellie Wescott, 2nd general proficiency and deportment; Phoebe McKenzie, regularity and punctuality; Henry McGregor, deportment.

PLUMPER PASS JUSTICE.

To the Editor: As the attention of the public has lately been drawn to the disgraceful state of affairs existing at Plumper Pass, I consider it only fair in the interests of justice to place matters in a clearer light than they have hitherto been shown.

For some time past it has been known that the Mayne Island saloon has been opened on Sunday for the accommodation of customers, but no action was taken until a few weeks ago, when an old man, W. Millington, nearly 70 years of age, purchased a bottle of gin there and supplied the same to an individual living on the Indian reserve in the immediate vicinity. This old man was sentenced to one month's imprisonment for the offence, a light enough sentence for the particular breach of law which he had committed. At the same time as this committal, the saloon keeper was told by the justices that he was carrying on an illegal traffic in spirituous liquors, and was warned as to his future behavior.

This admonition being totally disregarded, other warnings were given with the same effect. Finally on Sunday, Dec 1st, following on a drunk, a disgraceful disturbance took place, which opened the eyes of the local provincial constable, who instituted proceedings. The case was heard on December 12th before Justices Gray and Grubb. The defendant pleaded guilty, and the magistrates after a consultation once again thought the case would be met by a severe reprimand and dismissal. Now, sir, may I ask is this justice in the face of the evidence? Why was Millington sentenced to serve one month's imprisonment, and the saloon keeper, who equally breaks the laws of the province, in spite defiance of the commands of the local justices and law officers, allowed to go scott free. May I ask again, is it because Millington is not the keeper of the little store and hotel on Mayne Island?

Moreover, if my informant is correct, the aforesaid saloon keeper is an ex-justice of the peace, having held that position nearly ten years. Who is there in these outlying districts that has better knowledge of the laws and in a better position for finding out the laws than the J. P.'s? Justice should be meted out with equal impartiality to all grades of society. "Oh justice, justice, we cry aloud for thee."

STEPHEN H. HOSKINS.
Galiano, Dec. 16.

—A genuine ghost story has yet to be attested; but not so a genuine blood-purifier. Over and over again it has been proved that Ayer's Sarsparilla stands alone among medicines as the most reliable tonic alterative in pharmacy. It stood alone at the World's Fair.

—The sweet little "Nellie Bly" lamps are sure to sell quickly; they are pretty cheap and good. Weiler Bros.

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Doctors, reminds me. Did you ever know a man when ill to be indifferent about the selection of a doctor? No sir, not much. He wanted the best that could be had.

Should be the same way with drugs—you should insist upon having the best—should insist upon having your prescriptions filled by

JONES,
At the P. P. P. P.

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JOSHUA DAVIES
AUCTIONEER,
Room 7, - Board of Trade Building.

The Daily Times.

THE LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

An apologist for Lieutenant-Governor Dewdney offers the naive statement: "The correspondence thus became public in a manner not contemplated by Lieut. Governor Dewdney." This is doubtless the exact truth; it was evidently not contemplated that the correspondence should be made public in any manner. But somebody blundered, and to the public was revealed the interesting, if not edifying, fact that a man occupying a high office, who was supposed to be observing a strict neutrality as regards politics, was actually making himself useful to one political party. There are plenty of men who hold themselves guiltless of wrongdoing so long as they are not found out. When so much has been made public, it might be as well to publish also the name of the gentleman to whom Premier Bowell addressed his first dispatch, requesting him to sound Col. Prior in regard to his accepting office. Col. Prior's reply was addressed to the same gentleman, whose name was carefully suppressed at the Conservative meeting on Tuesday night. Was this gentleman the lieutenant-governor? If so, the explanation offered this morning must appear somewhat ridiculous. Why should Premier Bowell address such messages to a gentleman in Lieutenant-Governor Dewdney's position, who is supposed to have nothing to do with politics?

WHO IS DECEIVED?

The government organ places much dependence on the dispatch which Sir Mackenzie Bowell sent to Col. Prior relating to the latter's appointment. This dispatch reads:

Montreal, Dec. 17.

Hon. E. G. Prior, Victoria:

Governor Dewdney wires me there is a misunderstanding as to your status in the government. You are controller of inland revenue, privy councillor, and a member of the cabinet, and have just as much voice in the affairs of the Dominion as I have. I would have offered you nothing less.

(Signed) MACKENZIE BOWELL

There are some peculiar features about this message, which may be brought into more particular notice later on. For the present we assume it to be genuine and to convey just the meaning the premier meant it to convey. What is to be thought of it in the light of the following dispatch which reached the Times last evening:

Ottawa, Dec. 18.

Times, Victoria:

Mackenzie Bowell told me that Prior was not a cabinet minister. Mail and Empire and World, Toronto, all announce the same thing.

A. J. MAGURN,
Press Correspondent.

Mr. Magurn is not the Times' correspondent, but we know him to be a thoroughly reputable and reliable man, who would not think of misrepresenting the premier's statement. What follows? Evidently Sir Mackenzie Bowell is trying to deceive either the people of the east or the people of Victoria—perhaps to deceive Col. Prior himself. Is it not a very strange circumstance that all the newspapers in the east and many of the politicians, including Controller Wood, should have conceived a wrong idea of Col. Prior's position? Are they all "idiots," "downright fools" or "impudently dishonest?" The government organ seems to be unaware that it is hitting its own friends right and left by flinging these terrible epithets about so freely. Notwithstanding the free use of language" by our violent neighbor, we must repeat that the accepted meaning of the term "member of the cabinet" is a minister with a portfolio—the head of a department of the government. That is what the Conservative association had in view when it passed a resolution last February asking that this province be given cabinet representation. That is what every British Columbian has in view when he thinks of cabinet representation. Has Col. Prior been made a minister with a portfolio, the head of a department? He has not, and Sir Mackenzie Bowell does not say he has. Col. Prior is controller of inland revenue, a sub-department of the department of trade and commerce; he is therefore subordinate to Minister Ives, the head of the department. His official status is fixed by the act of parliament passed in 1887, and cannot be changed except by another act of parliament. The true situation is clearly indicated by the following statement in the Colonist's Ottawa dispatch of this morning: "It is said to be probable that at the coming session there will be legislation re-establishing the independent departments of customs and inland revenue." If that legislation is passed, and if Col. Prior is made head of the independent department of inland revenue, then he will be a bona fide cabinet minister, such as the people of British Columbia have had in mind. To say that he is such now is to attempt to hoodwink the public and make them believe something that is not true.

Comptroller—a controller—a public officer whose duty it is to examine and certify accounts.—Webster.

The Toronto World, Conservative, says: "The resignation of Hon. Clarke Wallace accentuates the fact that all hopes of a compromise settlement of the Manitoba school question between the provincial and federal governments have been abandoned both by the government and by the controller of customs and his followers. It also accentuates the fact that the government will carry out its policy of remedial legislation, come what may."

A NEW CONTROLLER.

The electorate hugged a vain delusion over night. It imagined British Columbia possessed a full blown member of the government and finds it only has a dependent upon the trade and commerce department who, like his predecessor, will have to dangle his heels outside the chamber while the cabinet is making history and discussing matters of policy. Controller Prior is to be sworn to the privy council, it is true, but this only gives him the empty right to the title of "Honorable" for life. These gentry are as plenty in Canada as Colonels down South. Controllers Wood and Prior will fill the odd jobs and the solicitor-generalship can wait until a more convenient season, for its occupant was never expected to do any work except of an ornamental character. Our hopes of cabinet representation, in the true sense of the term, have vanished like a summer dream, and we are put off with a hanger-on of the Texas land owner, the brilliant and extremely Honorable William Bullock Ives. We cannot help expressing surprise that Col. Prior would place himself in such a subservient position, one that Mr. Clarke Wallace dallied with until common decency obliged him to resign office. We observe that a meeting has been called for this evening at Victoria of the Liberal Association and the Young Men's Liberal Club, no doubt to consider the advisability of offering the new controller opposition. Under the circumstances it might be inadvisable, the more especially as the gallant Colonel would be compelled to make a clean breast of his tariff reform views and his attitude towards Manitoba. Of course the nearness of the general election, and the usually wise policy of husbanding the party resources for the final struggle, will be taken into consideration. The sop thrown to this province, however, is too contemptible to offset the prevalent hostility to the high taxers over whom Sir Mackenzie Bowell presides.—Vancouver World.

NO COMPULSION.

When addressing the Protestant communities on the Manitoba school question, those cabinet ministers who have deliberately committed themselves to the support of remedial legislation, are accustomed to plead that there was no other course left open to them—that, whether they liked it or not, they were simply obeying the decree of the imperial privy council; in other words, as the Toronto Globe neatly put it a few days ago, "the Ottawa cabinet is a mere automaton obeying the direction of the judicial committee" of the privy council. There is not the slightest ground for such a pretence. The reference to the Supreme Court of Canada—and subsequently by appeal to the privy council—of the question whether or not the minority in Manitoba had the right of appeal to the Governor-General in council was taken under the authority of a resolution of parliament proposed by Hon. Edward Blake, and accepted by Sir John Macdonald with the distinct reservation that the responsibility of the government should remain intact, and that it should not necessarily be bound by such advice as the Supreme Court might feel disposed to tender in any given case. Bearing this fact in mind let us see what was said by some of the lords of the privy council and others as to the force which the decision of the judicial committee of the privy council should have, in the Manitoba school case. Lord Watson said:

"I am prepared to advise the Governor-General and decide on the meaning of this clause, but I am not prepared to relieve him of the duty of considering how far he ought to interfere."

At another important point in the argument his lordship also said:

"The power given of appeal to the government, and upon request of the governor to the legislature of Canada, seems to be wholly discretionary in both."

And at still another juncture he said:

"What is given to the governor is a discretion to do what he thinks fit on appeal."

Lord Macnaughton is reported as saying:

"And the Dominion parliament cannot interfere, I suppose, unless it is asked to do so, and they are not bound even then."

Even Mr. Ewart himself, one of the counsel for the Manitoba minority, expressed a similar opinion. In concluding his argument he said:

"Before closing I would like to say a word or two as to what we are asking. As it has been already remarked, we are not asking for any declaration as to the extent of the relief to be given by the Governor-General. We merely ask that it should be held that he has jurisdiction to hear our prayer and to grant us some relief if he thinks proper to do so."

Mr. Blake, as chief counsel for the minority, dealt with the point in two successive passages:

"The question," he said, "whether upon the whole, acting in their political capacity, the privy council believe that they ought not to act, in what we may consider a lame and half-hearted way, or to go the whole length of our demand is no part of the question I have to submit to your lordships."

Further Mr. Blake said:

"The law which creates the tribunal for the purpose of giving advice expressly states that in their political capacity they (the Dominion government) are not bound by that advice."

These deliberate utterances make it clear that the expression of opinion given by the judicial committee of the privy council, in no sense absolutely binds the government to any particular course of action—their official responsibility is intact and their freedom of action is in no sense circumscribed. The pretense that in passing the remedial order they were acting under compulsion is as contrary to common sense as it is contrary to the judgment of those who took part in present and deciding the appeal in London—the government were left perfectly free to take action or to refuse to take action as they might deem proper.—Halifax Chronicle.

HANDS OFF MANITOBA.

To the Editor:—I sincerely hope that the people of Victoria in considering Col. Prior's re-election to the house of commons, will consider the circumstances under which he asks for their suffrages. The vacancy which he seeks to fill was created in a manner which touches the conscience of every man who values the sacred privileges of our educational system. The policy of the Dominion government is to force upon Manitoba a system of separate schools as they existed prior to 1891, an arrangement part ecclesiastical, part secular, and one of the most absurd jumbles of authority ever advocated by those who would, if they could, subserve everything to the church.

Rather than support this policy of the Dominion government Clarke Wallace resigned, and Col. Prior now comes forward declaring that he is prepared to take his place and to carry out the policy of coercion of Manitoba. The vital question, therefore, is shall we, the people of Victoria, valuing the sacred privileges of free public schools, give our warrant and authority to Col. Prior to return to Ottawa and there frame and pass a law forcing upon Manitoba a system which a better man has sacrificed salary and power to oppose?

NO-SECTARIAN.

—A present—I am selling watches, clocks and jewelry at cost and making you a present of the profits. The reason why does not concern you; come and see the prices at S. A. Stoddart's, 68 Yates street.

THE FIRE CHIEF.

To the Editor:—In Sunday morning's issue of the Colonist appears an article from Chief Deasy, making sundry accusations against the petitioners who are asking to have the office of fire chief made an elective one, as it always has been in the past. He therein submits evidence attempting to lead the people to believe that he was not absent from any of the fires this month, except one on December 2nd, on Government street; and he himself makes the statement that that was the only fire that he has missed in eight years. In answer to such statements I beg leave to ask the chief if after the fire of the 3rd on View street, did he not arrive at the scene of the fire after it was over, and ask members of the hook and ladder company where the rest of the department had gone to? Was the chief not informed that they had been ordered back to the station by the acting chief, and if the hook and ladder company were simply waiting there for the reason that they had been ordered so to do in such cases? Can the chief reasonably say that he attended that fire? To say nothing of the bungling way in which the brigade was called out on the evening of the 9th, just as the council was about to to take up the petition. I ask the chief, if he was present at the fire on Government street, near the fountain, on the night of the 11th, how was it that Acting Chief Cullin ordered the department back to the station after the fire was out, and had to use forcible language to the driver of the truck before he would leave the place of fire? Did the chief not meet the whole brigade on the way back and about four blocks from the hall? Why did not the chief get some of the responsible members of the department to give the facts instead of forcing C. Bush and Hugh Petticrew to make statements which are far from being in accordance with the facts. The chief in his letter must convince the public that he has not the confidence of one single officer on the brigade and a large majority of the call men who are prominent and reliable business men. Is it not a fact that one of the men drove around town trying to find the chief, but he was nowhere to be found? Is it not a fact that on the 12th of July the chief entirely missed the fire occurring in A. Stephens butcher shop on Johnson street? Did the chief not go driving with a theatre actor from Tacoma outside the city limits, without the knowledge or consent of the fire wardens on this date? But even if he had their consent, why did he not so arrange with the assistant chief to be on guard? Did he not telephone in from Oak Bay Hotel to see if there had been an alarm? Where was the chief when Morrissey's house burned, when the bells rang to beat two of a kind, but no chief showed up at the fire?

Why has the city to pay $5 for two men put to act as detectives all night at the scene of the fire of the 11th, whereas if the chief had not been where he should not have been, or had the necessary confidence in his officers under him, he would have either been at the fire or would have learned that the proprietor assisted in putting out the fire before the department arrived?

If the chief will kindly answer the above questions for the satisfaction of the ratepayers, I will give him some that he cannot answer either to the satisfaction of the citizens or the insurance companies.

W. J. LEDINGHAM.

It appears to the Times that when Mr. Ledingham or any other citizen has charges to make against the chief, they should be made officially, and before the proper tribunal. Then the chief could make answer officially and they could be investigated.

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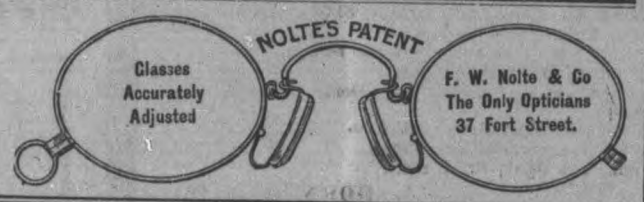

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LOCAL NEWS.

Gleanings of City and Provincial News in a Condensed Form.

—There was a break in the water main on Humboldt street to-day.

—Gilmore & McCandless are looking for the man in need of an overcoat.

—A contractor was fined $5 and costs this morning for opening a drain without permission from the city engineer.

—The closing exercises of the High School will be held to-morrow afternoon. All interested are cordially invited to attend.

—The Methodists of Strawberry Vale will this evening hold a concert in Colquitz Hall. A bus will leave the city hall at 7 o'clock for the accommodation of those who wish to go out.

—William Shultz, of 129½ Douglas street, aged 14 years, died to-day at the Jubilee Hospital. His remains were removed to Hanna's undertaking parlors. The funeral is arranged for Saturday afternoon.

—The telegraph wires were badly damaged by last night's storm. They went down north of Nanaimo, and later between Nanaimo and Chemainus. The wires were pulled right out of the Chemainus office.

—Joshua Davies will sell at 77 Government street to-morrow, commencing at 11 o'clock a.m., the balance of the Jeffree stock, on liberal terms; also for account of whom it may concern, damaged goods ex steamship Mongolian.

—Scott and Dutton were this morning sentenced to two months each with hard labor, for stealing a gun, the property of John Barnsley & Co. Scott was tried on two charges, getting two months for each, the sentences to run concurrently.

—Want!—Of course you want something for Christmas. Something useful; one of those mantel clocks in walnut or oak, eight-day, strike hours and half hours on a cathedral gong, sent home and set running and guaranteed for five years, $4, at S. A. Stoddart's, 68 Yates street.

—A large gathering surprised Mr. and Mrs. Henry Coates at their residence, 181 Chatham street, last evening, it being the 17th anniversary of their wedding. After refreshments, Mrs. Coates was presented with a very handsome chased gold ring and a breast pin accompanied with an address read by Mrs. Jennie Caldwell. A very enjoyable time was spent in dancing.

—Parties desirous of obtaining a few copies of the British Columbia Mining Record (Christmas illustrated number) to send away to absent friends and thus help to make known the rich resources of the province, can have them in lots of five and upwards at the reduced rate by leaving orders at T. N. Hibben & Co., R. Jamieson, or C. Braund, booksellers.

—The Victoria Yacht Club executive are pleased to announce to their members and friends that the smoking concert will be held in their club house on Saturday, 21st December, as usual. Contractor West succeeded in floating the club house last night, and the building now being back in its former position, allows the smoker to come off. A capital programme has been arranged.

—Sheriff McMillan has been officially notified of his appointment as returning officer for the bye-election. Nominations will be received on 30th of December and polling will take place on January 6th. No changes have as yet been made in the polling booths, but Sheriff McMillan will endeavor to secure a polling place in Victoria West, so that the electors in that district will not be compelled, as on former occasions, to go to Parson's Bridge, a distance of seven or eight miles to record their votes.

—The teachers and pupils of the First Presbyterian Sunday school are the first to enjoy their annual Christmas treat. The affair was unique in its character, the customary Christmas tree being dispensed with. Santa Claus gave their children presents and candies through a chimney built on the platform. The venerable gentleman was attended by a number of brownies, who carried the bricks for the chimney and assisted in the distribution of the presents. During the evening Santa Claus, the brownies and the school children sang many very pleasing selections. Mr. John Meston, the popular superintendent, was presented with a handsome chair, given by the children and teachers as a mark of their appreciation of his faithful work. About 400 children, including those at the Protestant Orphans' Home, were present. The parents and friends were also present and thoroughly enjoyed the entertainment.

—Wood air-tight heating stoves at Clarke & Pearson's, 17 Yates street.

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A pure Grape Cream of Tartar Powder. Free from Ammonia, Alum or any other adulterant
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The Empress of India Delayed by Continual Head Winds and Howling Gales.

A Passenger and One of the Crew Receive Painful Injuries on the Trip.

Nothing Was Seen or Heard of the Disabled Steamer Strathnevis.

Never has one of the C. P. R. Pacific liners encountered severer weather than did the Empress of India, Capt. Pybus, which arrived off the outer wharf at 8 o'clock this morning. She was delayed eighteen hours at Yokohama, the freight barges being unable to come alongside on account of the stormy weather, and when she did get started it was to fight a never ending gale from shore to shore. It was not necessary for the crew and passengers to tell that they had had rough weather, the vessel herself told the story. She was not in any way seriously damaged, but the smokestacks were covered with salt, left there by the towering waves which had washed right over the big steamer. The sides of the Empress, usually pure white, were all colors, the heavy seas having brought out the rust and exposed the under coat of red paint. But the only material damage done the ship was the washing away of a corner of the bridge.

More than half the time the passengers were unable to leave the cabins, and the crew, when they did come out, were scattered all over the decks. One of the crew was thrown down and received very serious injuries, it being feared that he has broken his thigh. Mr. Stanley L. Beale, one of the passengers, was thrown against the rail and had his knee-cap broken. He is still in bed.

The worst weather was encountered for the first five days out of Yokohama. It calmed down as the Vancouver Island coast was neared, but started to blow again last night. She was in the entrance to the straits at midnight, but evidently her signals were not heard by the operator at Carmanah, as she was not reported until after she had rounded Race Rocks.

The cabin passengers were: Mr. Stanley L. Beale, Dr. A. H. Copeman, F. Davis, Commander Wm. M. Folger, W. Graham, Mrs. W. Graham, B Hatzfield, F. W. Horne, Mrs. F. W. Horne, Dr. E. H. Horsey, Col. M. Hunpisker, H. A. J. Macray, Mr. Yasukata Murai, Mrs. Yasukata Murai, R. C. Ross, Rev. and Mrs. Shaw and child, A. Sheffield, E. R. Smith, Walter S. Ward.

Dr. A. H. Copeman and Stanley L. Beale are around-the-world tourists on their way home. The doctor recently had an exciting experience in Australia. He was one of two passengers rescued from a shipwreck.

Commander Wm. M. Folger, U.S.A., late of the Yorktown, is on his way to Washington.

W. Graham is agent at Foo Chow for the C. P. R. He and Mrs. Graham are on their way to England on a holiday trip. Dr. Horsey is one of the head officers of the Sun Life Insurance Company; Col. M. Hunsiker has been in Japan in the interest of the Carnegie Steel Company; Messrs. Macray and Smith are tea merchants, coming over on business, and Mr. Ross is a sugar planter on his way to Jamaica. Rev. Shaw has been doing missionary work in the far east.

There were but five Chinese steerage passengers for Victoria and the cargo was made up as usual.

Nothing was seen or heard of the disabled steamer Strathnevis, and from the terrible weather encountered by the Empress it is feared that she has fared badly.

TO-NIGHT'S MEETING.

Joint General Meeting of the Liberal Association and Young Liberals.

The members of the local Liberal organizations, the Victoria Liberal Association and the Young Men's Liberal Club, meet at Philharmonic Hall, Fort street, at 8 o'clock this evening.

Mr. Templeman will reply to the invitation asking him to stand as a candidate in the interests of the oppositionists at the approaching bye-election, and other important matters will be considered.

The meeting is bound to prove of decided interest and there is sure to be a large attendance.

—As perfect beauty is a passport to good society, so, "Odoroma" conduces to good appearance.

—Those patrons of the Art Exhibition who absented themselves to-day on account of the wet weather missed the best view of the pictures since the opening. The cloudy sky gave a perfect light, which greatly enhanced the beauty of the numerous loan and union pictures on exhibition. A large attendance of school children is expected to-morrow and on Saturday the drawing for prizes will take place.

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Ladies' and Children's Handkerchiefs, in fancy boxes, from 10c. to $1.25 per box.
Ladies' Embroidered Cambric Handkerchiefs from 10c. each.
Ladies' Embroidered Silk Handkerchiefs from 10c. each.
Ladies' and Gents' Inital Handkerchiefs.

Gentlemen's Colored Brocaded Silk Handkerchiefs, reduced from $1.75 to $1.25
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Gents' Hemstitched Silk Handkerchiefs, White and Colored.
Ladies' Lined Kid Gloves, deep fur top, $1.00 a pair.
White Table Linens from 35c. a yard.
A good assortment of Plain and Fringed Napkins.
Children's White Fur Boas, 35c. each.
A well assorted stock of Ladies' and Gents' Umbrellas from 50c. each.
A varied assortment of Ladies' Silk Ties.
Crochet Silk, The Peerless, 25c. a spool
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—Rev. C. M. Tate, Methodist missionary, is sending a circular letter to the police commissioners throughout the province with regard to the enforcement of the Indian Act as it applies to the removal of Indian women from disreputable houses. It calls attention to the fact that the act applies to all such houses, not alone to those located on Indian reserves.

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Candy Peel all down to bed-rock.
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We have a nice lot of Fur Capes, Collarettes, Mink Ruffs, Opossum and other Furs.

Gloves. Gloves. Gloves.
Kid Gloves, 5 Hooks and Lacing, 70c per pair.
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Best Lacing Gloves, 7 Hooks or dome fastening, $1.15 per pair.
FUR TRIMMED GLOVES.
We are the sole agents for these Gloves, still at the reduced price $1.15.

Berlin Wools, 5c per Oz.

Umbrellas. Umbrellas.
At all prices—from 60c to $12.00. These are beautiful goods for Christmas presents.

Handkerchiefs. Handkerchiefs
Have arrived. Silk Handkerchiefs at 10c each.
White Cambric, Hemstitched..50c per doz.
Colored border, Hemstitched...50c per doz.
Colored border.....25c per doz.
White Handkerchiefs.....25c per doz.
A beautiful Line of Handkerchiefs—Open Work Hemstitched, and Honiton Lace, insertion and corners, 35c each; Openwork and Hemstitched, 25c each; also a lot of fancy boxes of Handkerchiefs. Three lace edged Handkerchiefs in a box for 15c. Be only 50c per yard.
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May Turn Out More Seriously Than at First Suspected.

Acora, Gold Coast, Africa, Dec. 19.—It is stated that Samory, a powerful African chief, supported King Prempeh of Ashanti in the recent fighting with the British and their native allies, the tribe of Adanisis, which was reported in a cable dispatch this week, it being said that the encounter resulted in dispersing the Adanisis with great slaughter. t is also stated here that Capt. Cramer, of the Gold Coast constabulary, has also had an encounter with Samory. If this be true it is grave news for the British, as Samory has a powerful army of horsemen and footmen and would seriously hamper the expedition which is now on the way to the Gold Coast from England under command of Colonel Sir Francis Scott, inspector-general of the Gold Coast forces. It has been thought that Samory was friendly to the British, and indeed Sir Francis Scott, in consultation with the British war office as to the make-up and numbetr of the forces of the expedition, said there could be very little truth in the reports that Samory would attack the British territory. Sir Francis, in fact, expressed the belief that Samory's people could not fight in the bush and that all he could want to do was to get to the coast in order to trade with the British.

THIS WAS NO STAGE DINNER.

But a Real One That the Actors Had, With Ambassador Bayard.

London, Dec. 19.—The annual banquet of the Actors' Benevolent Fund at the Hotel Metropole to-night was the occasion of a notable public demonstration of good feeling toward the United States ambassador, Hon. Thos. F. Bayard. The guests who sat down to the banquet numbered 150 actors and dramatists.

The United States ambassador seemed to have lost the depressed air which he wore this morning, and he chatted with his neighbors at the table and smiled and talked with great animation.

After dinner, when the time came for the president to propose the toast to the actors' fund he said in the course of his speech that he hoped the only rivalry between England and America would be a histrionic rivalry, and that there would never be any serious differences between the two people who were, after all, brothers. This sentiment was greeted with loud and prolonged cheers by all the company, which was renewed when the president added that Mr. Bayard was a worthy representative of a great country. Sir Edwin Arnold, in proposing "The Stage and the Drama," said he laughed at the idea of any differences between England and America, and Mr. Gomyns-Carr toasted "The friends across the sea." Mr. Bayard, upon rising to respond, was greeted with a perfect tumult of applause, and his toast was drunk with three cheers. He said: "To-night we are on common ground and there is no sea between us. There are some things that it is impossible to divide. By way of illustration he repeated the Bible story of the judgment of Solomon over the dispute of two women, both of whom claimed to be the mother of the same child. "Gentleman, it could not be; we cannot be divided. We are children of a common ancestry. I do not think that they will be permitted to die. I will answer for my kindred and your kindred beyond the sea." These inferential refernences to current affairs were greeted with repeated cheers and great enthusiasm. Mr. Bayard concluded: "The time is seasonable to invite you to name my country and to join hands across the swelling main."

THE "PARASOL" ANT.

Gathering Leaves to Use in the Culture of Fungi.

The greatest known curiosity of insect life, as far as habits are concerned, at least, is to be found in the queer "parasol" or "umbrella" ant, so common in all parts of tropical America from Texas to Venezuela. The common name by which the creature is known has been bestowed because of a queer habit this species of ant has of stripping certain kinds of trees and shrubs of their foliage and carrying the leaves to their nests. An army of these ants which have been off on a foraging expedition present the queerest sight imaginable as they march in long columns by twos, fours and sixes, each holding the stem of a leaf in his jaws, the leaf itself shading the little insect's body as a parasol does the face and shoulders of a lady. The early naturalists imagined that these ants carried leaves for the sole purpose of protecting themselves against the rays of the tropical sun, but recent investigation by the director of agriculture, Trinidad, shows that they have another use for the bits of green they gather. The leaves, according to our authority, are only wanted as soil upon which to grow a certain species of fungi, which the parasol ant is very fond of. The agricultural investigator mentioned above gives a detailed account of his observations at a parasol ant's nest where fungus growing appeared to have been the chief industry.

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Discussing the question "Should Patients Smoke?" the Lancet says:—"Fortunately most of the affections in which the use of tobacco is injurious are just those which cause the patient to dislike it; indeed, attention is often drawn to the fact that a man is unwell by his evincing a disinclination for smoking. Therefore it is occasionally a good sign when the convalescent again feels a desire to smoke."

—People of good taste use Odoroma for their teeth—Do you?

—Read Gilmore & McCandless' overcoat talk. *

RARE BOOKS IN DEMAND.

Steady Gain in the Trade in These Curios in America.

The craze for rare book collecting is steadily gaining on this side of the Atlantic, says the Chicago Tribune's New York correspondent. The sales last year demonstrated America has just as persistent, enthusiastic collectors as any of the book-loving centres of Europe. Gems were repeatedly sold last winter in Boston, New York, and Philadelphia that broke all records for high prices.

The four gems of last season were Poe's "Tamerlane," which sold for $1,450; Walton's "Angler," $1,325; Herbert's "Temple," $1,050; and Cromwell's "Soldier Bible," $1,000. These prices caused a great deal of comment the Times of city declaring that it was "book collecting run mad." Yet these are small, indeed, compared with prices asked for some of the rarities on the market this year.

There are a score and perhaps more gems in the Pope library alone now on sale in this city that are worth two or three times as much as Poe's "Tamerlane"—one, Caxton's "Morte d'Arthur," priced at $24,000 and already sold, bringing nearly as much as the entire collection that created so much interest in the book buying world last year.

The interest this year is not confined to any class of books. First editions were prime favorites, as they always will be with collectors. Rarities of early English literature are much sought after, and importers are doing a good business in catering to this demand. Early Americana, first editions of the more famous American authors and fine extra illustrated books all have their buyers who are willing to pay good prices.

On the other hand, the first editions of Dickens, Thackeray, and Ruskin, which were so popular, are not bringing as high prices as formerly. Large paper copies and editions de luxe, save in rare instances, do not maintain the position achieved a few years ago. This is no doubt due to the multitude of large paper and de luxe editions that have been published in recent years.

A loan exhibition of "Stevensonia," consisting of portraits, original manuscripts, and the scrap books of Robert Louis Stevenson, all illustrating the life of that author at Vailima, Samoa, was placed on exhibition at the store of Charles Scribner's Sons in this city today. There is a large collection of portraits of Mr. Stevenson, taken at frequent intervals from the time he was 20 years old until the time of his death. Among them are an admirable photograph of him taken from a charcoal drawing made by Mrs. Stevenson in 1875; another taken in 1885 by Sir Percy Shelley; a photograph taken from the portrait painted by Sig. G. P. Nerli in 1892 at Vailima; and one of the best portraits is a photograph of the bas-relief of Mr. Stevenson by Augustus St. Gaudens, the sculptor, made from life in 1888.

Among the exhibition is a fine Samoan mat, presented to Mr. Stevenson on his last birth-day by his friend, Tue-ma-le-alii-fans, governor of Alana. In an undated letter to the editor of Scribner's Magazine Mr. Stevenson rather playfully proposes some changes in the English language, with special reference to the trouble some pronouns give. An interesting manuscript is that of "The Manse," which was published in 1887 in the May number of Scribner's Magazine, being the first essay of the writer ever published in an American periodical. Nearly two-score manuscripts and letters are included in the exhibit. The collections contain, also, five of the photographic scrap-books of Mr. Stevenson illustrating his life and home surroundings in Vailima, and his cruises about the South Sea Islands. There are also four complete editions of his works in the first edition, the "Thistle," the "Edinburgh" and the "Library" editions.

The Grolier Club has been a great power in this city in elevating the taste for well made books and in creating a passion for the collection and preservation of literary rarities. Thirty-eight members of the club has recently incorporated a club bindery. Rooms have been taken and fully equipped, the bindry now being in full operation. They have secured the services of F. Manseli as finisher and William Matthews has consented to give the bindery the benefit of his advice from time to time. The main purpose of the new bindery is stimulate an interest in fine bindings and furnish a standard that will elevate the art in this country.

The prayer book used at the wedding of Miss Vanderbilt and the Duke of Marlborough was a costly specimen of the printer's and bookbinder's art. The paper was the best, the type clear and beautiful, and the binding all that Tiffany & Co., assisted by one of the best bookbinders on this side of the Atlantic could make it. The leather cover, of the finest texture, was covered with gold filagree work of a very intricate and artistic pattern. The arms of the Churchill family are engraved on the gold work, and make an effective part of the design. The cost is reported to have been $1000.

A third copy of that rarest of all American books—the first edition of Poe's "Tamerlane"—has been found. There were rumors of the existence of another copy a year or two ago, but no pains were taken to convince collectors that the claim was a valid one. Last year, when the Maxwell copy was advertised for sale at auction, it was catalogued as unique on this side of the Atlantic, and the claim was not disputed. A reliable dealer in this city, however, now comes forward with a copy of the rarity and advertises it for sale at $1,500. Collectors who have examined it carefully are convinced of its genuineness.

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Missouri furnishes yet another negative answer to Shakespeare's query as to whether there's anything in a name. Mud is the name of one of the most popular belles in the town of Rich Hill. If is in a near-by town that the eloquent Alderman Stammerjohn lives.

A Spanish illustrated comic weekly, La Teal Cortada ("The Cut Cloth"), is printed on cloth the size of an ordinary handkerchief. After is has been read it can be put le water, when the ink will wash out and only a handkerchief remain. The price o' this novel and useful journal is five cents.

The French Government has paid the Persian Shah $10,000 for the right to dig up antiquities anywhere within the ancient empire. Several of the great cities of the Bible lie buried there, and archaeologists think that they contain better treasure trove than the world has ever yet gained from the Orient.

A lady who lives near the Jardin des Plantes, or old Parisian Zoo, is a providence to the stray cats of her neighborhood. She feeds daily a hundred at the Rercy wine market, where they are allowed to live in the cellars. This lady believes in the transmigration of souls, and says she feels as if she was formerly incarnate in a woman who hated animals.

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Ar. Nanaimo	11.40	6.78
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	Daily	Sat'dy
	A. M.	P M.
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Lv. Nanaimo for Victoria	8 40	3 45
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"Patriotic sentiment has assumed such dimensions in the West and South that its influence will be felt in all political combinations, and the political overturn in Kentuckey is due to that influence. I find a strong undercurrent of popular sentiment favoring General Harrison's nomination and that Bradley, of Kentuckey, is the favorite for nomination for vice-president, or Evans, of Tennessee, in recognition of the South."

None But Ayer's at the World's Fair.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla enjoys the extraordinary distinction of having been the only blood purifier allowed on exhibit at the World's Fair, Chicago. Manufacturers of other sarsaparillas sought by every means to obtain a showing of their goods, but they were all turned away under the application of the rule forbidding the entry of patent medicines and nostrums. The decision of the World's Fair authorities in favor of Ayer's Sarsaparilla was in effect as follows: Ayer's Sarsaparilla is not a patent medicine. It does not belong to the list of nostrums. It is here on its merits."

—Men's Mackintosh coats $12. Gilmore & McCandless. •

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

NANAIMO.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Nanaimo, Dec. 18.—There was a very large meeting at the opera house last evening to hear civic affairs discussed. The speakers were Mayor Quennell, Ald. Davison, Cocking and Bradley; A. Haslam, M. P., and A. Dutton. Matters were kept very interesting when Ald. Davison took the stand and sailed into the other speakers without mercy. Ald. Cocking received the worst scathing and from the applause given to Ald. Davison it showed that his audience endorsed him. A. Dutton took a peculiar stand, which showed he was not familiar with municipal matters as they are run in Nanaimo, and he laid himself open to the sarcastic remarks of Ald. Davison. At the close of the meeting three hearty cheers were given for the latter.

The meeting was called for the purpose of nominating a candidate for the coming mayoralty contest, and although Mayor Quennell's name was put to the meeting, the cries of "No" far overwhelmed the cries of "Aye," so the meeting dismissed without the chief object being accomplished. Mayor Quennell promised to reply in a few days through the medium of the press.

Mr. Jordan states he has succeeded in forming a joint stock company for the purpose of running the West Wellington mines, the development of which has been retarded owing to the absence of sufficient capital to enable Mr. Jordan to adopt the latest improvements working the mine.

NELSON.

Nelson Tribune.

In requires considerable rustling to supply the camps and towns in southern Kootenay with beef. This week P Burns received 200 head of cattle from the Okanagan country. Sixty-five head were held at Rossland and the remainder were brought to Nelson, where 50 head were forwarded on to Three Forks. Mr. Burns alone requires nearly 200 head a month to keep his markets at Nelson, Kaslo, Three Forks, Sandon, Rossland, and Trail supplied.

The directors of the hospital at their monthly meeting on Tuesday decided that no more patients be admitted to the hospital and that it be closed as soon as the patients now being cared for are discharged. This action was brought about from lack of money with which to pay the current expenses of the institution. The monthly expenses are from $350 to $400, and the monthly income is less than $200.

The Nelson Miner.

The Dominion government is drawing from ten to twenty thousand dollars a month from Kootenay and as yet the people who pay the piper have not had even a dance for their money.

A man named Kaiser was brought from Ainsworth on Sunday, having accidentally shot off his lower jaw. It appears that he was reaching for his rifle when by some unexplained reason it exploded. He is now in the hospital.

The Vernon and Nelson Telephone company will apply during the coming session of parliament for leave to amend their act so as to enable them to construct telephone lines anywhere on the mainland of the province, and to amend the schedule of the act relating to their tariff of charges.

AINSWORTH.

Nelson Tribune

McVicker Brothers & McCuish have struck a fine body of ore in the north drift of the Mile Point claim on the second level. The pay streak is at least two feet thick and carrier considerable ruby silver. They intend to sink the incline shaft 75 feet deeper and then drift. The water is not very troublesome.

Dr. Young is sacking ore from the No. 27 and will soon make a shipment.

Quite a number of experts have been in camp lately sampling different claims. No transfers have been made as yet.

W. W. Warner will return from the east the coming week and will at once begin work under a lease on the Fourth.

Part of the power and compressor machinery for the Canadian Pacific company at Woodbury creek, has arrived.

John H. Klock, formerly assayer at the Blue Bell mine, but who has been in Chicago for over three years, is again employed at the Blue Bell.

A band of Cariboo are ranging on upper Cedar Creek. A party of Nimrods are on their trail.

ASLO.

Nelson Tribune.

The owners of the Reco mine, John M. Harris and F. T. Kelly, will adverse the application of the owners of the Goodenough for a certificate of improvements.

The steamer Ainsworth made a special trip to Lardo last Sunday with supplies and men for Seale and Bogle, who have a contract to get out a million feet of logs for G. O. Buchanan.

The ore delivery has been small this week, and the Kaslo & Slocan railway people have been engaged in contending with snow, for which they were, unfortunately, not well prepared. A small plow has been attached to one of the engines, and a flanger has been placed, so that trains will be enabled to run regularly, it is hoped, until the arrival of the regular snow plow, ordered from St. Paul some time since.

Complaint is made that immature and precocious boys are allowed to gamble within the city without let or hindrance, and there is, certainly, very little attention paid to the law forbidding the sale of cigarettes to youngsters.

The late rains are said to have extended into the mountains, and to have so reduced the snow as to make rawhiding difficult, if not impossible. It will materially interfere with the plans of many of the mine managers, unless snow comes quickly. The danger from slides is also largely increased.

ROSSLAND.

Rossland Miner.

Work on the tramway to Trail is now in full blast, and the indications are that the entire line will be completed in sixty days.

The showing on the Gopher continues to improve. The ore body is now from eight to ten feet wide.

Very marked improvement has occurred in both the Crown Point and the Iron Horse during the past week.

The compressor plant of the Center Star is ready for service and drills will be set going to-day.

John A. Finch has bonded for his syndicate the Tiger and Uncle Sam for $30,000 and R. K. Neal is here to begin work immediately. Cabins are being erected and a long tunnel is to be run on the Tiger. This claim adjoins the Crown Point on the South.

The ore blockade continues. Not a pound is now going out of the camp owing to the failure of wagon transportation. There is not snow enough for sledges and too much for wagons. The War Eagle has shut down except in development work, and the Le Roi has 3,000 tons of ore piled up awaiting removal. This blockade forcibly illustrates the necessity of railway transportation for the camp.

John Moynahan has been made superintendent of the Le Roi. The quality of the ore in the Le Roi continues to improve with depth, nor does there seem to be any falling off in extent. The shaft is now down 420 feet. If the width of the vein is maintained to the 450-foot level, where a station is to be made, Judge Turner, the manager, estimates he will have 100,000 tons of high grade ore practically in sight. There are two most reassuring features in the deep working of the four best developed mines in the camp; there is an improvement in the character of the ore and maintenance of the ore body. These four mines are the War Eagle, the Le Roi, the Josie and the O. K. Some of the War Eagle ore taken out recently has run as high as $800 in gold per ton.

It appears that while it was true the plans for the school building sent here by Col. Baker called for a sum in the matter of construction much larger than the amount he had set aside for the purpose, the whole matter was referred to the gold commissioner with power to use his discretion. Captain Fitzstubbs came over from Nelson and after looking everything over, let the contract for the school building at $1390, the lowest bid made on the plans submitted. Work will be started as soon as all the papers have been signed, which will be immediately.

Very satisfactory progress is now being made in the building of the Trail smelter. A report was set going last week to the effect that work had been suspended owing to the failure of the smelter company to make the necessary payments to the receiver for the contractors. The truth appears to be that the receiver, Mr. Tolmie, quit one night and left with his staff for Spokane. He may have been under the impression that this was the end of the smelter, but if so he was laboring under a delusion. James Breen, who was in Trail at the time, took the personal direction of affairs, and had the usual force of men at work by seven o'clock next morning and there has been no cessation of work since.

Rossland Prospector.

Peterson, the lone miner, has run a tunnel seventy feet on the Wallingford.

Daily and Freddie B. on Record mountain, will be worked all winter by six or eight men.

Some of the experts who visited Kootenay this year, are having difficulty in collecting pay from the "syndicates" that sent them.

Only a small force of men will be kept on the Cliff mine this winter. When the new machinery arrives in the spring the force will be increased.

Thos. O'Farrel has staked a preemption at the east end of town over land claimed by the Nelson & Fort Sheppard Railway Company and the Paris Belle Mining Company. O'Farrel will contend that neither of the claimants has a good title and cannot acquire one.

At the Crown Point the ore body is still looking fine. The shaft is down about 150 feet, and a drift has been run in on the lode for about 75 feet. This mine will be a shipper all winter, and is only waiting for good sleighing weather to commence the shipment of between 600 and 700 tons of rich ore now stored at the mine.

The flume from the dam in Stony Creek to the reservoir will be completed to-morrow, when water will be diverted from the creek and the reservoir filled. The reservoir has been caulked and will hold 150,000 gallons.

The Gold Hill is looking well and work is going on briskly. The shaft is down 70 feet and a tunnel is run in the hill between 300 and 400 feet. The rock is extremely hard, like that of the War Eagle, but the prospect now in view offers something worth working for.

A meeting of the mine owners was held to consider the action of D. C. Corbin in regard to surface rights on mining claims. One committee was appointed to interview Mr. Corbin and another to communicate with the provincial government on the miners' behalf.

"The Common People",

As Abraham Lincoln called them, do not care to argue about their ailments. What they want is a medicine that will cure them. The simple, honest statement, "I know that Hood's Sarsaparilla cured me," is the best argument in favor of this medicine and this is what many thousands voluntarily say.

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A physician of Pocohontas country Va., tells a story of a patient who one night recently swallowed two 23-calibre cartridges in mistake for two five-grain capsules of medicine. The doctor left the capsules with the instructions that the sick man should take them during the night. The man awakened, reached for the capsules, but did not discover them. No serious harm resulted, though the patient had an anxious time for some hours.

At the very lowest estimate Mr. Brandon Thomas has made $250,000 out of his share of the profits connected with "Charley's Aunt." Probably Mr. Henry Arthur Jones has made almost as much out of "The Silver King."

—Major C. T. Picton is manager of the State hotel, at Denison, Texas, which the travelling men say is one of the best hotels in that section. In speaking of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea remedy, Major Picton says: "I have used it myself and in my family for several years, and take pleasure in saying that I consider it an infallible cure for diarrhoea and dysentery. I always recommend it, and have frequently administered it to my guests in the hotel, and in every case it has proven itself worthy of unqualified endorsement. For sale by all druggists. Langley & Co., wholesale agents, Victoria and Vancouver. •

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DOG-IN-THE-MANGER POLICY.

Pursued by the Canadian Pacific at Nelson.

It must be admitted that the Hall mines smelter at Nelson is an industrial enterprise that will be of great benefit to British Columbia. To be of the greatest benefit its owners must of necessity keep the expense of treating ore at the lowest possible figure. One of the items of expense in operating smelters is the cost of fuel. Fuel, such as coke, must from necessity be brought from distant points. Every time it is handled adds to its cost. Coke for the Hall Mines smelter is purchased in the U. S. and shipped in by way of the Nelson & Fort Sheppard railway, a road that cannot deliver the coke at the smelter because of its not having track connection with the road that has a side track or spur right alongside of the smelter. The road that has the sidetrack or spur is the Canadian Pacific, and its managers absolutely refuse to allow the Nelson & Fort Sheppard the privilege of making a connection unless the latter allows it running privileges over five miles of road. More: its managers threaten to enjoin the Nelson & Fort Sheppard if even an attempt is made to extend its track into the town of Nelson. Because of this action the managers of the Hall Mines smelter are forced to build a wagon road from the smelter to a railway siding, a mile and a half distant, over which all coke used at the smelter will be hauled by teams. Verily, the Canadian Pacific managers are most anxious to promote the establishment of industrial enterprises in Southern Kootenay.—Nelson Miner.

TREATMENT OF A CORPSE.

How the Body of George Platte, of Nelson, Was Given Burial.

The boys who brought the body of George Platt, of Nelson, for burial, gave the following particulars regarding his drowning and the trouble they had in giving the remains decent burial. George Platt was in a sailboat with a man named Good. When they were about eight miles below Pilot Bay, Good says that Platt fell out of the boat backwards, and that the boat had gone about 150 feet before he could lower the sail and row back to where he picked Platt up, but he was dead. Good brought the body back to Pilot Bay, reaching that place about 100 o'clock on Monday night. The local justice of the peace, Mr. J. D. Marsden, was notified, and he ordered that the body be placed in the building that is used for a lockup. Mr. Marsden claims he notified Government Agent Fitzstubbs on Tuesday, and he received a letter from that official on Wednesday saying that he had missed the boat. On Thursday the coroner arrived from Nelson and an inquest was held. The verdict returned was that death resulted from accidental drowning. Mr. Marsden also said that he had been notified that the government would allow $14 to defray burial expenses. On Friday a contract was made to bury the body. The coffin was made of rough lumber and a grave was dug beside a spring from which many of the people of Pilot Bay get their supply of water. On Friday afternoon the body was dumped into the coffin just as when placed in the lockup. When informed that the grave should not be so close to the spring, the man who had undertaken the burial concluded to dump the box on the ground and leave the burial for another day. On Saturday morning the men employed at the smelter learned the facts, raised by subscription enough money to pay the expenses, and brought the body to Nelson, where it was given Christian burial. The boys say that when Justice of the Peace Marsden was asked to turn over the body, he seemed much annoyed at the request.—Nelson Tribune.

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LEGAL NOTICES.

Land Registry Act.

Part (30 acres) of Section 14, Range VI., East, and of Section 14, Range 5, East, South Saanich District.

Whereas the Certificate of Title of Richard James Smith to the above hereditaments, bearing date the 26th June, 1891, has been lost and application has been made for a duplicate of such certificate.

Notice is hereby given that such duplicate will be issued unless cause be shown to the contrary, in writing within one month from the date hereof.

S. Y. WOOTTON,
Deputy Registrar General.

Land Registry Office,
Victoria, November 27th, 1895.

Notice.

All persons are hereby warned against dealing in any way with the bay gelding "Snohomish Boy," now supposed to be in the hands of Frank Adams.

TAM ELWELL.

Victoria, Dec. 10th, 1895. de10-1w

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CHEMULPO DISASTER

The Japan Advertiser Brands the Story as an Absolute Invention,

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A late issue of the Japan Advertiser, received by the Empress of India, states that the story of the drowning of a number of British sailors from H. M. S. Edgar, was an absolute invention. The passengers who came over by the Empress, however say that the news was unfortunately too true. Here is the China Gazette's acount of the accident:

"A correspondent writes to us from Nagasaki giving a few particulars of the disaster to the launch of the Edgar at Chemulpo. It appears that seventy-two men (blue jackets and marines) were returning to their ship in a large wooden barge from Chemulpo on the evening of the 14th. They had been ashore enjoying themselves all day, and embarked at the Custom House jetty, little anticipating that nearly three-fourths of their number would never reach their stately ship, which lay a mile and a half outside. It was blowing hard at the time, but not sufficiently so to cause any misgivings to the hardy Jacks. But when the boat got out beyond the shelter of the island, she capsized, whether by the sea or how, our correspondent's informant had not learned when the mail left Chemulpo. The scene in the harbor that night and the next day was terrible, the dead bodies being washed ashore in many places. The overturned boat continued to float and most of the survivors clung to her until picked up."

Boats from the Russian and French warships, near which the accident occurred, put out to the rescue and saved twenty men and three petty officers. The Edgar was too far away to render any assistance. One of the passengers by the Empress said the general opinion in Japan seemed to be that the barge was overloaded. When it turned over too many of the men in their excitement clung to one another. Those who kept cool and were able to swim kept away from the barge and were picked up by the boats from the foreign warships.

WHY HE DIDN'T RUN

How an English Candidate was Once Scared Out of the Field.

At a general election in England a candidate personally unknown to the voters of a certain borough was asked by party leaders to stand for it. He belonged to a good family and was a barrister of promise in London. His path to success was open as the borough belonged to his party. But when he mounted to platform to address the electors, after a sentence or two he became white and confused his eyes fixed on a board opposite on which was scrawled with charcoal, "Forty Pounds." He stumbled through a short speech and then left the stand. A few days later he arose to speak in another town and again the mysterious words, written in black upon the wall, confronted him. Again he left the platform, and that night retired from the contest for the seat in parliament. Not long afterward he disappeared from public life and retired to a British colony, where he hid himself on a ranch. The words, it was found, referred to a theft committed in his youth, which he supposed had been forgotten.

THE GOVERNOR'S POSITION.

To the Editor. The Colonist this morning in its attempted explanation of Lieut.-Governor Dewdney's unwarranted interference in political matters tries to make it appear that the Lieut.-Governor's neutrality begins and ends with that which is much dreaded (by Tory officials) viz., newspaper controversy. Now, sir, if the Colonist informant will try and think of what occurred in the Letellier incident he would remember that newspapers had notaing to do with the matter. Lieut.-Governor Letellier committed an act unquestionably within his prerogative, possibly a little severe, but in this matter he had the sympathy of the vast majority of the electorate. Subsequently the Conservatives came into power, and with a friendly party in power at Ottawa, they (the Otawa government) declared his (Letellier's) usefulness gone, and deposed the one Quebec lieutenant-governor that all parties respected and honored.

CANADENSIS.

THE CANADIAN ALMANAC.

The Canadian Almanac for 1896 has been issued. This is the 49th year of publication, a fact which speaks much for the popularity of the work. The article by Dr. Bourinot on "Forms of Government Throughout the World," will be found interesting and valuable, showing, as it does, how every province, state and country in the world is governed, and giving also its population and area. Mr. E. M. Chadwick contributes an article on "The Canadian Flag," which is timely. This article is illustrated with colored lithographs of the red and blue ensigns, with the maple leaves. Special attention has been given to the county and municipal directory, and the information given will be found full and accurate. The Ontario law list also has been carefully revised. The regular departments of the Almanac, such as the customs tariff, clergy list, post-office list, with railways on which located, or nearest railway station, directory of government officials, societies, schools and colleges, statistics, meteorological information, etc., have all been corrected and revised to the latest possible date.

HYPNOTISM IN PARIS.

Alleged Marvellous Results of a Twelve Years' Study.

A writer in a French newspaper says: Dr. Luys is one of the most remarkable men in Paris. His private workshop in the Charity Hospital, of which he is the head, is part of his home. His study is a little room full of books. That is where he receives his private patients. He took up hypnotism about twelve years ago. That was about the time of the beginning of its revival in France. He has devoted almost all his time to it and to the study of the human brain ever since. The results of the latter are to be seen by the favored visitor in a cabinet in the little building. There are more than three hundred mummified human brains in that cabinet, and each one of them has taught the world a lesson under the investigation of Dr. Luys. Most of the doctor's discoveries have been brought about by his work with two especially good hypnotic subjects named Gabrielle and Esther. Both came to him at the hospital to be cured of nervous diseases. Esther was cured, Gabrielle was not. Esther had been suffering from convulsions. The doctor placed her in a hypnotic trance. It was necessary for him to do this many times, but he eventually succeeded in driving them away. Six brothers and sisters of this girl had died with them. But Esther still lives and now is entirely well. One of the first things which the doctor discovered through his work with Esther was that to the hypnotized subject each human being is separated into two parts. These are identified by colors. While the subject is in the state known technically as "lucid somnambulism,' the person whom she looks at is marked by a yellow line which begins at the top of the head and runs down the middle, dividing the individual in half. Then, if this person be in good health, the right side is distinguished by blue flames issuing from the right nostril, the right ear, the right eye; while the left side is similarly marked by red flames. Thus in the parlance of hypnotism people are now said to have their red and their blue sides. What this strange phenomenon meant was for a long time a puzzling question. Then it developed that if the person were in bad health the colors varied. A consumptive, for instance, showed green flame.

A man who had been wounded in the eye was distinguished in the sight of Esther and other hypnotic watchers by a little orange flame issuing from that members. A woman badly affected by hysteria showed purple on the side which would have been red in a healthful person, and so on. Dr. Luys was as greatly surprised as anyone. He did not then, and does not now know why these things are true. They form one of the most baffling of the mysteries of science. Apparently disease may be expected in future to identify themselves to a person who is in a certain hypnotic stage. Professor Luys has found a way of hypnotically administering medicines—that is, he is on a path which he thinks will end in his being able to administer the "influence" of a drug without administering the drug itself. Dr. Luys more than a year ago found that certain substances placed in glass tubes affected hypnotic subjects strangely, even when they were held at a distance. One of the most extraordinary of the many effects which Dr. Luys has obtained by this impersonal presentation of drugs is where the essence of thyme is the drug used. This caused extreme fear, and added a strange swelling in the thyroid gland of the neck to a size more than three inches above the normal. Extreme anger is caused by a tube of chlorhydrate of morphine. When presented to the other side of the subject the same tube caused a pleasant sleep. Extravagant fear is the expression worn by another subject, caused by the action of a tube of sulphate of sparteine. These examples might be multiplied indefinitely. What all this means has not yet been determined. Just as the hypnotized person cannot hear sounds and see sights which the normal being cannot, so it seems to be true that the hypnotized human being can feel influences of drugs which do not exist to a person in a normal state. And now we come to the first announcement of one of the most amazing scientific discoveries of the time. The doctor lifted from the shelves a piece of idoroemfwycmfwypmfwypm a piece of iron curved into the shape of a horse shoe big enough to fit over a human head and fitted with straps adjusted so that when it is in place they let it fall about as low as the temples and no lower. He placed this on his own head and came forward. "This," said he, "is a wonderful tank. It is a tank for the storage of temperament. Yet you see it is very simple. It is merely a big horse shoe magnet. Yet I can anger you and draw your anger from you to lock it up in this bit of curved iron. I can please you and then steal your pleasure away to store it in this queer thing. I can find you melancholy and with this I can relieve your melancholy.

"I can find you an optimist, and in half an hour can filch your good nature, transferring it instead to this inanimate piece of steel. But that is not the most wonderful thing about it. After I have made you angry and have drawn your anger out and into this magnet I can transfer it from the magnet into the first person who happens to come in. Your melancholy can be shifted to other shoulders wholly irresponsible for it and ignorant of its cause by the simple use of this headpiece. Your pessimism can be turned over to some jolly fellow who was never anything but happily hopeful before in his life. In other words," continued the doctor, "it is now possible to remove mental energy from one person, store it up, and then transfer it to another person after the lapse of as much or as little time as you choose. If the energy is that of happiness, then the person to whom it is transferred becomes happy. The discovery is in its infancy yet, but it is destined, I think, to be one of the most wonderful things in the world. See what it means! You are a sufferer from that strange disease, melancholia. And if the world could be rid of that one affection of the nerves and brain a greater good would be done than most people realize. You go to your physician for treatment. He has in his cabinet the mental energy of a happy person—one of those persons who are naturally happy. He gives it to you as simply as he would give an ordinary electrical treatment. You have now the temperament of a happy person. The discovery came about in a strange way. I had under treatment a young woman who was in no sense insane, but who was suffering from one species of melancholia. She felt an aversion for the persons whose nature and her life ought to have made her care most for. She met her mother and her father, her sisters and her bother, with feelings of displeasue. Finally she came to me and asked me if I could not do something for her." For years a group of men, made up of Pasteur, Charcot, Reid, Luys, and others, have been sending out scientific news from France which startled the world. But never has any discovery so amazing as this great one of Dr. Luys been announced.

SINGLE TAX CLUB.

Proceedings at the Regular Weekly Meeting Last Evening.

The Single Tax Club held their regular public meeting at Temperance hall last evening, Mr. James Mallett in the chair. Mr. W. Berridge delivered an address upon Fraternity, and showed that the liberty, equality and fraternity, so much spoken of and longed for can never become possible under the present unjust and unnatural conditions. There is no really Christian church in the world to-day; not if we take the church of the first century for an example, for they formed a fraternal community in which all shared alike; and in which no one lacked, as many do now, the common necessaries of life, as some do now, though perhaps members of the same church with those who count their wealth by millions. Talk of communism; where do we find any as radical as that described in the New Testament? The single tax is destined to bring about the conditions for which the Christian church has ostensibly been working and praying during the last 1800 years, for it would make possible on earth the establishment of a righteous kingdom, such as that for which we all long and pray in our heart of hearts. Ald. McMillan gave a short address upon the character and general progress of the single tax movement, and said it really embodied the proclamation of emancipation to the down-trodden and oppressed of the earth now in bondage to landlordism, for it will give everyone free access to natural opportunities, and enable all with moderate industry to become their own masters and secure a comfortable competency. He prophesied the early triumph of single tax and kindred principles. A very enjoyable musical programme was rendered by Mrs. Johnson, Mr. Andrews and Miss and Master Johnson.

—S. A. Stoddart begs to inform his customers that he is not giving up business, although he is still selling eight-day striking clocks for $4 at 68 Yates street.

PERSONAL.

W. E. Drake is down from Vancouver.

C. B. Lockhart is down from Vancouver.

E. J. Thain returned yesterday from Vancouver.

L. H. Webber returned yesterday from Colorado.

G. L. Brown, of San Francisco, is at the Oriental.

J. H. Todd returned last evening from the Mainland.

C. N. Westwood, Nanaimo, is a guest at the Oriental.

Gaoler Allen is confined to the house with a severe cold.

Dr. Lewis Hall was a passenger yesterday from Vancouver.

E. J. Palmer and wife, of Chemainus, are at the Driard.

Capt. Chas. Spring and family are down from Kyuquot for the holidays.

D. J. Munn, president of the Kaslo & Slocan railway, is at the Driard.

Dr. C. E. Martin and wife, of Coupville, Wash., are registered at the Oriental.

Thos. Mackie leaves for San Francisco by the Walla Walla, sailing this evening.

D. McLachlan and wife, of New Westminster, are registered at the New England.

Dennis Jordan, of the West Wellington mines, leaves this evening for San Francisco.

Capt. White, of the bark Ardmore, who arrived from Vancouver last evening, is a guest at the Oriental.

R. H. McMillan returned last evening from the east. He was met at Vancouver by Mrs. McMillan.

A. Hood, having recovered from an operation which he underwent, has left St. Joseph's hospital, and expects to be around in a few days.

Miss Williams, Miss Walker and Miss Arrowsmith, of the Victoria teaching staff, and B. Williams, secretary of the Board of Trustees, leave this evening for San Francisco.

—P. S. Bartlett Waltham watches in dust-proof stem-wind cases, $10.50, at S. A. Stoddart's, 68 Yates street. *

—Diamond rings—15 karat diamond rings; all sizes and patterns, $4, at S. A. Stoddart's, 68 Yates street. *

—Almost nothing—Nickel alarm clocks for 70 cents at S. A. Stoddart's, 68 Yates street. *

—Christmas comes on Wednesday, Dec. 25. If you are liable to forget it, buy a calendar clock for $1.50 at S. A. Stoddart's, 68 Yates street. *

DIED.

MECREDY—In San Francisco, December 14th, at her late residence, 422 Church street, Jane Graham, beloved wife of John J. Mecredy, mother of Alexander, Thomas, John, William, Fred and Raymond Mecredy, and Mrs. A. A. Osborn, and grandmother of Daisy Mecredy, a native of Belfast, Ireland, aged 79 years.

—The sale of watches, clocks and jewelry is not postponed, but is always running at S. A. Stoddart's, 68 Yates street. *

Some of Professor Richard T. Ely's works on sociological questions have been translated into Japanese. And his book "The Outlines of Economics" has been printed in raised characters for the use of the blind.

—Paper bags and wrapping paper; wholesale price. Johnston's, Douglas street. *

Two young men of Palermo, Italy, named Notabartolo have left that city to go to Turin and back without a penny in their pockets. They will swim in the Straits of Messina. They are wealthy, but are suffering from ennui.

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PASSENGERS.

Per steamer Sehome from the Sound—F W Curry, A F McLaine, R D Moss, W Copeland, T Baer, A Sarison, W D Beatty, W Ryan, J H Brown, J Seamon, W R McIntyre, W Templeton, Mrs Warren, Geo Van Gotheim, Mrs Spencer.

Per steamer Umatilla from San Francisco—Wm Warnock, C Henshaw and wife, M D Cameron, Miss Rose Ninnier, C J Schulty, Frank Lemis, Eugene Steimer, Mrs D Doe, sister and daughter, J Meyer, T Adney, Miss L Sawyer, J C McHolme, A W Walker, Miss Dixie, Miss M Goodwin, A Goodwin, J W Harley, J Rousseau and 9 steerage.

Per steamer Sehome from the Sound—W Butts, C Hughes, C Carri, P W Francis, Miss Mitchell, F W Brown, F T Gibbons, M Spencer, S Motts, Geo Backman, J Rivers, C Bridges.

Per steamer Islander from Vancouver—R H McMillan and wife, D L Manchester, D Hibbard, Mrs Herber, son and daughter, T Robinson, Miss Murray, Mrs McDonald, G L Brown, H G Chisholm, Capt White, M G Bunyon, C B Lockhart, J J Woods, E J Thain, Dr Lewis Hall, Stanley Spain, W Tufts, R W Clark, A M Bullock, R T Cooper, T A Graham, D J Munn, J H Todd, W F Carson, W E Drake, J Pelkey, Dr C E Martin, Mrs Martin, Mrs A R Tufts, Mrs Clark, J W McKeon, Mrs T Johnston, G C Smith, D Gillins, Miss R McDonald, J T Campbell, G Sanguinel, Master Spencer, H Langley, W E Lenz, S O Heywood.

CONSIGNEES.

Per steamer Sehome from the Sound—Geo W Clark, Cunningham & H. Ramsey Bros, Jno Wilson.

Per steamer Umatilla from San Francisco—A Schnoter, Bissinger & Co, C W Rogers, D H Ross & Co, David Spencer, E Wall & Co, E B Marvin & Co, Fell & Co, F R Stewart, H B Co, H Short & Son, J Barnsley & Co, J A Ritchie, J & A Clearihue, Kurtz & Co, Lowenberg & Co, Nicholls & R, P McQuade & Son, S Leiser, Speed Bros, Spratt & Gray, Vic Phoenix R Co, Valo & Brooks, Wilson Bros, Wood & O, Wolf & Co, W Math, W H Bone, Yuen Lung, A R Johnston & Co, D Boggaino, N Beltrano, Yick Chong, J Rosseau, A Pelegrinelli, Dr D N Eberts, C S Philp, W & Bower, Wells Fargo Co.

Per steamer Kingston from the Sound—E A Morris, F H Campbell, Vancouver Hardware Co, McLennan & McFeely Co, Lenz & Leiser, Langley & Co, T W Fletcher, Weiler Bros, D H Ross, Sehl, Hastie Erskine Furniture Co, Geo Wilson, H B Co, Jonas Bushell, A Cohen.

Per steamer Islander from Vancouver—J Brown, W & J Wilson, J Horner & Co, G R Jackson, J Piercy, Jas Hutcheson, Okell & M, R Maynard, Ames Holden Co, S Leiser & Co, R Ward & Co, T Kirkpatrick, G D Ross, T N Hibben & Co, Howell & G, C R King, Langley & Co, Wm Wilby, H Short & Son, Brackman & K, Redon & H, S O'Brien, Fell & Co, J Wrigglesworth, M Powers, T C Raynor, Vic El Co, Alex Vye, Standard Oil Co, Chas Phillips, E A Wagg, Ham Powder Co, J H Brown, Jas Thomson, M R Smith, Parsons Prod Co, R W Higginbotham, Wm Lough, Wm Knox, Wm Dalby, Dom Ex Co.

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